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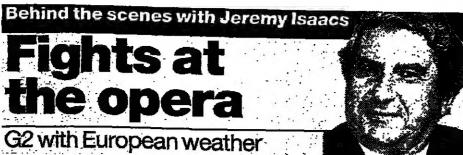
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'The shame I felt in chains' Venables quits

Nine months pregnant, Annette was taken from jail to hospital in handcuffs. She spent 10 hours in labour chained to a bed, in the presence of a male and a female officer. The action has been defended by Home Office minister Ann Widdecombe. in a letter passed to the Guardian, Annette describes the pain, shame and degradation she felt at her humiliating treatment.

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to fight Sugar in the courts

John Duncan Sports Correspondent

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HIS OTHER INTERESTS

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ERRY VENABLES announced yesterday that he will quit as that he will quit as England coach after the 1996 European Champion-ships to concentrate on his legal fight with the Totten-ham chairman, Alan Sugar. "The Football Association is deeply disappointed by his decision," said a terse state-ment read out by the FA spokesman, David Davies, at a hastily arranged press cona hastily arranged press con-ference yesterday, "but we understand the thinking behind it. Terry Venables faces a number of time-consuming legal battles in the latter part of 1996 which he believes Could interfere with Eng-land's efforts to qualify for the final stages of the pext World Cup. He is absolutely determined to clear his name." Venables confirmed the reasons for his departure last night, focusing on the Octo-ber court case in which he is being sued by Sugar over alle-gations in Venables's autobiography. The date of the case was switched to after Euro 96 in June after an appeal to Sugar by the FA chairman, Sir Bert Millichip. "I felt that in the circum-

stances it would be better after Euro 96 when my con-tract comes to an end that that would be it," said Venables yesterday. "I felt that what I've got ahead could be

vember and I could be in

after Euro 96, though obvi-ously I would want to leave

the job on a successful note." The FA said that Venables

first told them of his decision in Birmingham on December

court for several weeks.



the European Championship finals took place there. "He was urged to think again over the Christmas period and also while he was abroad last week," said Mr Davies, "He told Graham Kelly [the FA chief executive] at lunchtime today that his decision was

vnchanged." Venables was given a two-year contract in 1994. He was an almost unanimous selection, but concerns were ex-pressed at the time that Venables's feud with the Tottenham chairman and the lingering allegations about his business affairs in two BBC Panorama programmes would affect his ability to do the job

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June's championships. Eng-

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his Essex home last night.

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an embarrassment to the FA but in the circumstances I humiliating blow for the FA

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Annette is led away from the delivery room in shackles Extracts from one of the two letters Annette sent to maternity rights campaigner Beverley Lawrence-Beech



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The Guardian Thursday January 11 1996 Tense standoff as Russian troops halt Spy debate lacks hostage convoy at Chechen border



thrilling climax

Mark Lawson

HE highlight of the day at Westminster was a con-tribution from David Ashby (Con, Leics NW) on his attitude to men in uniform. In a manner reminiscent of Cecil Parkinson after his embarrassment, Mr Ashby, since los ing his recent "gay smear" libel case, now wears an expression of deep seriousness — rather like a rouged Mount Rushmore — as if defying

laughter at his plight. From behind his carapace of gravity, Mr Ashby sug-gested that there were too many policemen around these days. Everywhere you went. there were policemen. The problem was not that Mr Ashby had been surprised by them in unexpected places; he was speaking more abstractly There had been a "total prolif eration" of police in recent years. Now the Home Secretary was proposing "another police force — rather like the FBL'

This was a reference to Michael Howard's proposal-while opening the debate on the second reading of the Secu rity Service Bill - to extend police powers to the security services. Spooks will becom plods, seconded to the fight against "serious crime".

Although the debate had attracted little interest - barely 20 MPs on each side were there to hear Mr Howard — it had inevitably brought in from the cold those members with an obsession with espio-nage: Labour's Chris Mullin (Sunderland South) and the Conservatives' Rupert Alla-son (Torbay) and Richard Shepherd (Aldridge).

Mullin and Allason (as Nigel West) write spy novels. Indeed, Allason, scribbling furiously on the backbench while Howard spoke, looked to be writing another one.

Certainly, the Home Secretary's plans. whatever their impact on the criminal justice system, seem likely to revive

the genre of espionage fiction. Stand by for the novels and television series about cops and spies treading on each others' toes. Mr Howard's acknowledgment that local police officers may not necessarily know that the funny people are on their patch seems to bring to reality that standard scene in thrillers: in which the rural flatfoots, sum-

moned to a burglary, discover to their horror that it is the work of their Majesty's Secret Servants.

An inevitable character in spy novels these days is the old entrenched, trench-coated agent — the "espiocrat" as Le Carre has it — who finds it impossible to cope with the new rapprochement between sides once violently opposed. All the old certainties have gone, and the new consensus offends his entire moral education. In vesterday's debate on the security services, Mullin, Allason and Shepherd had the air of such men, agents playing by rules of en-gagement now revoked.

They might reasonably have expected Michael How-ard v Jack Straw to be one of the great moral stand-offs. These two men are the Smilev and Karla of modern politics, committed adversaries whose itter clash over prison policy in that classic Westminster page-turner, The Lewis Affair,

Howard spoke with the solid certainties typical of his empire: "The menace of organised crime is large and growing . . . the participation of the security service in that war will reinforce our ability to fight it effectively."

training, surely, as an opera-tive for his side had taught him to resist such rhetoric. He had thought long and hard, he said, but had come to the conclusion that "we support the principle of this bill". And, while he was about it, might he pay personal tribute to Stella Rimington, the head of MI5, for her excellent efforts in the post?

was down, Smiley and Karla holding hands across the rubble. David Ashby simply looked relieved. He had got through a debate on espionage without anyone making a joke about The Guy Who Loved

James Neek in Khasavyurt Dagestan

ALKS between Cho chen gunmen and **Russian negotiators** to free 130 hostages being held on buses in a border village were deadlocked last night, with Russia accusing the rebel leader Salman Raduyev of reneging on his promise Hundreds of Russian

tior ministry special forces and tanks, were positioned in flat, snow-covered fields around the village of Pervomayskaya on the border be-tween Chechenia and Dage-

the buses to make them stop.

troops, including elite intestan. Helicopters swooped low over the countryside, increas-ing fears a potentially bloody rescue was in the works.

Moscow claimed Mr Ra duyev, son-in-law of the Che-chen rebel leader. Dzhokhar Dudayev, had promised to release the hostages before leaving Dagestan, but was now insisting on taking them into Chechenia as guarantee

of safe passage. Russian troops forced the ebel convoy to stop at Pervomayskaya claiming a bridge on the route to Chechenia had been destroyed. A reporter travelling with the convoy aid a helicopter fired near

was the stuff of legend

Straw rose to reply. All his

Everyone was on the same side now, it seemed. The wall

A convoy carrying Chechen rebels and their hostages heads for Chechenia yesterday before being halted at the border

Roads to the town were sealed off last night and jour-nalists barred from entering. The more than 160 hostages included 110 women and children. In Pervomayskaya, Mr Raduyev freed seven senior Dagestani officials who had helped broker the original deal early yesterday morning by which the "Lone Wolf" group released about 2,000 hostages they had been holding in the main hospital in

the town of Kizlyar. Alexander Mikhailov, press spokesman for the Russian federal intelligence agency, told journalists at a crossroada near Pervomayskaya

that the hostages-were being held in nine buses by about 150 Chechen fighters. He said the Chechens had also taken 37 local policemen hostage in the village.

The people of Kizlyar were left feeling confused and be-trayed yesterday as they con-templated the wrecked hospital and casualties left by Mr Raduyev's fighters. Respect for the Chechen

rebels in a community comprising various small North Caucasian Muslim ethnic groups was mixed with anger that a town which sheltered thousands of Chechen refugees at the height of the war

should be part of it now. "We never thought the Che-chens would attack us," said Nazir Sharbutov, a surgeon at Kizlyar's tiny railway hospi-tal, which had been landed with the burden of wounded from Tuesday's fighting. "We just didn't believe it. They are our neighbours, people of our faith, there was never any history of war between us." In his hand the surgeon carried an X-ray of a young boy's

helicopters.

foot with a bullet lodged in the big toe. At least 13 people died in fighting on Tuesday when the Chechens attacked

rounded up the occupants of flats near the main hospital and herded them inside, ogether with patients from a separate maternity wing. It became clear yesterday that at a meeting in the town on Saturday local officials ac cepted a danger existed of a rebel attack and placed armed

police at both hospitals. Yet no corresponding mea-sures were taken by the military and as a result the police were the main casualties, los-ing at least seven men to the better armed rebels who carried heavy machine-guns grenade launchers and even an airfield, burning two mili-21 small aircraft bombs. then

The only hostage to have been shot in cold blood was a young member of a police special forces unit. He still lay on the hospital floor yesterday morning, undisturbed for

ver-

fear of booby traps. Lieutenant Magomed Sulinanov, aged 35, a policeman who lost a close friend in the fighting, said he had shel-tered six Chechen refugees in "We fed his flat last year. them, dressed them, treated them like brothers and sisters. For them to come here like this is no way out of their situation."

However, freed hostages

However, freed nostages said their captors had treated them well, and had not stolen any of the hospital medicine. Magomed Malachayev, aged 33, duty surgeon when the rebels attacked, said the Che-chers had shot the hostage only after Russian troops had only after Russian troops had refused to stop firing at the hospital with a heavy cannon. Mr Malachayev said he had operated on two of about six wounded Chechen fighters, one of them an Arab.

The 24-hour hostage ordeal left the hospital unusable, with windows broken, medical supplies, litter and sy-ringes strewn along the corridors. Bedridden patients were evacuated yesterday morning.

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What's in a name?... the new code is designed to regulate the naming, labelling and promotion of 'alcopops

PHOTOGRAPH, GRAHAM TURNE

Portman Group, a self-regu-lating body funded by the seven drinks manufacturers. Its director, John Rae, the for-mer headmaster of Westmin-the polyneit draw the displayed in the last of the last displayed in the last

Unnerving images New rules for of paranoia

Robert Clark

Review

Piranesi's Sublime Dreams Whitworth Art Gallery,

TLAST a rare chance to A see Giovanni Battista Piranesi's 18th century etchings of visionary paranoia, claustrophobia and ab-surdist vertigo. This is the first time I've had the dreadtinged thrill of viewing the entire Imaginary Prisons series since their 1988 showing in Sheffield, How many images from more than 200 years ago eem so unnervingly up-tothe-minute? Half close your eyes, and their complex inter lockings can appear like com-puter generated fractals. Open your eyes and focus closer, and Piranesi's arcluitectural caprices lock into everyone's most ego-shattering dreams of falling and wander ing and struggling with

futility. One is first confronted with the 1756 View of the Subterra-nean Foundations of the Mausoleum Erected by the Em-peror Hadrian. Even here, Piranesi forces the viewer to take the most cowered perspective on the monu ntal foundations. The structure towers impossibly into a sky hidden somewhere off the top of the picture. Half way up on wall a couple of lost souls teeter and gaze down with understandable dismay. We learn that in fact these foundations were deeply buried. Piranesi could never have seen them. Yet he unearths them with psychological insight.

The Carceri series follow 10 years later. So what was the artist up to with these weird

Bypass protest stops digger in new victory

Alex Bellos

Up to 20 protesters broke through a line of security guards and lay in the hole cre-ANTI-ROADS protesters ated by one of 30 or so up-rooted oaks. The 150 security guards, including reinforcevesterday in the battle over the £100 million Newbury bypass after work was abandoned for the second day running.

Chief Inspector Frank Con-por, of Hampshire police, an-The site clearance company admitted defeat hours after | nounced the builders' decision to stop work for the day at the driving the first digger into woodland on the bypass route. | Tot Hill site.

architectural imaginings? Was he haunted by the laby-rinthine memories of his childhood in Venice? Was he a frustrated architect? They are far from the usual monstrous nightmares, fed by medieval guilt or fanciful myth. Here are the solid building blocks

of the real world, dissolved. Piranesi scratches into the plates to provide a tactile, fin-gernail-on-blackboard visual cringe. He builds up his darkened networks with thousands of fine parallel lines that twist with a near Op-Art vi-brancy. The images are all hopeless cases. Passageways lead to dead-ends. Bridges drop one off in mid-span. Spiral stairways take the eye forever on down. Great chandeliers appear to swallow the light. Lonely figures drift. The shadows, of course, are the

most live things here. Piranesi's prints have a his-torical, prophetic edge. All the ambivalences of industrial progress are already precisely defined in these dark and tor-turous mills. In the 19th century Coleridge, aspiring to the Romantic sublime, raved about the prints to de Quincey who, without ever seeing them, eulogised them: "With the same power of endless growth and self-reproduction did my architecture proceed in dreams.

In the mid 20th century, Aldous Huxley, fed by psychia-try and early psychedelia, saw in them "states of soul, whose reference is to confusion, to nightmare and angst, to in-comprehension and panic be wilderment". It is telling that most of us, conditioned by the endless mazes of virtual space

ments, outnumbered the pro-

testers by about two to one.

still find in these old prints a frisson of déjà vu familiarity.

'alcopop' sales inadequate say campaigners.

Alcopops How strong are the new breed of beverages Alcopops Hooper's Hooch Mrs Pucker's Citrus Brew 5.5% Beers Foster's Budweiser 🛄 5% Tenants Super 9% John Smith's Bitter Wines Soave 11% Minervois 12% 12.5% Meriot 12.5% Bordeaux Shiraz 13 13% npagn 12.5% Lanson Cordon Vert 12% 1 44 Spirits Gordon's Gin 37.5% off blue label vodka 40% Teacher's whisky 40% Jack Daniels bourbon

inadequate. The industry's seven largest manufacturers agreed to draw up a code of practice designed to regulate the way such products are named, la belled and promoted. The guidelines, they said, would ensure the drinks did not

Edward Pilkington

overtly appeal to children. Concern that alcopops may be encouraging under-age drinking has grown rapidly since the first brands were 2.6 million cans a week.

brand. Two Dogs. will also be covered by the code as it is distributed by Whitbread. one of the seven signatories. Most of the brands contain

alcohol at between 4 and 5 per cent volume - slightly stronthan many beers, lagers and ciders. Some are as potent as 9 per cent.

Although evidence of a boom in child drinking is scant, campaigners say the beverages blur the distinction between alcohol and soft drinks with names such as Cola Lips. Lemonhead and "Alcola — the cola that bites back". Some shops have sold brands from the same cabi nets as non-alcoholic drinks. The move to frame a code of ractice was brokered by th

Holloway prisoner reveals shame she felt at being kept in shackles during labour

continued from page 1 are capable of getting up and icy that anybody who is on the labour ward is in labour." walking downstairs and making a telephone call, there is a Beverley Lawrence-Beech. chairwoman of the Associapossibility you could escape." Dr Eben considered it tion for Improvements in Mahighly unlikely that a woman ternity Services, to whom Anwho was in any stage of nette wrote the two letters, labour would try to abscond. was so concerned at the pris-Annette was guarded oner's distress that she went throughout her labour by two to the hospital when Annette prison officers, one male and one female, who left the delivwas in labour and stayed with her until the birth. When she was in the deliv-ery room she was not shackery room only during intimate examinations.

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les on." Annette's baby was

born some 10 hours after her

A spokeswoman for the

waters were broken.

Prison Service said: "If you | which, as far as possible, women in this situation are attended by female prison officers Ms Lawrence-Beech had

passed a photograph of Annette in shackles, answering a phone call from her husband less than an hour after the birth, to Channel 4. The television company took video film of the prisoner on the post-natal ward two days later, screened last Friday.

Annette's husband, who Miss Widdecombe said in himself is serving four years the Commons on Tuesday she in jail, has not yet been shared "concerns that have allowed to see his new baby been expressed about decency daughter, nine days after the and delicacy and the use of birth, although he and his male officers in these circumwife have both applied for a stances." She said she "hoped | visit on compassionate to move to a position in grounds

HE drinks industry yes-terday agreed to tighten its rules on the market-ing of so-called "alcopops" ster school, has criticised the introduction of the new alcoholic beverages aimed at brands as a case of the indusyoung people — in a move which campaigners and health workers dismissed as try shooting itself in the foot. Yesterday he said he feared alcoholic lemonades and colas could increase teenage drinking. 'They have a sweet taste children are familiar with."

The proposed guidelines

launched last summer. The leading brand, Hooper's Hooch, now sells more than

The second most-popular

be clearly displayed. Nigel Griffiths, Labour's consumer affairs spokesman. cast doubt on the efficacy of the proposed code. "Most of these drinks are produced by manufacturers that will not have subscribed to the new

cover most brands but said in terms of market sale it would apply to more than threequarters of all cans sold. The British Soft Drinks Association said terms it considers confusing - such as "alcoholic lemonade", "alco-holic cola" and "alcoholic soft regulations." | holic cola" and "alcoholic so Mr Griffiths yesterday | drink" — should be banned.

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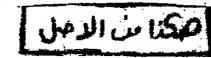
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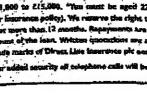
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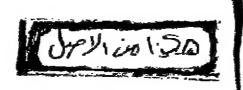
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MP claims cover-up on **lottery trips**

David Henck

NISTERS admityesterday that y had kept quiet about free flights taken by Peter Davis, the National Lottery regula tor, from the American com pany GTech, part-owner of the lottery firm Camelot.

Virginia Bottomley, the Heritage Secretary, disclosed that senior civil servants at her ministry had been briefed about the trips a week before a Commons committee meeting where they became public.

No attempt was made to in-form Sir John Bourn, the Comptroller and Auditor-General, or Robert Sheldon Labour chairman of the Public Accounts Committee, be-fore Mr Davis appeared be-fore the committee, she told Alan Williams, Labour MP for Swansea West, in a parlianientary answer. Mr Williams said yester-day: "What this means is that

day: "What this means is that if I had not asked any ques-tions about the trips after receiving a tip-off all this in-formation would have remained confidential. Since the disclosure led to a full in-quiry and Mr Davis's suitabil-

ity for the job was questioned, what we now have is a cover-

aware of the trips when Mr Davis submitted his working brief to the head of the minis try's arts, sport and lottery group. She defended the decision not to pass on the information to the committee by saying it was not her minis try's responsibility and accus ing the National Audit Offic of not spotting entries on the Office of the National Lottery (Oflot) files. "It was for the Director General rather than for my officials to answer any questions raised by the com mittee about these matters, she wrote. "Full reports on the visits and travel arrange-ments were on Oflot's files

and thus open to inspection by the National Audit Office from November 199 At the hearing Mr Williams asked Mr Davis about a trip to Florida in 1994 — after he had approved Camelot to run the National Lottery but be-fore he awarded the company the lucrative instants scratch

card game. Mr Davis disclosed while his office had paid his fare to Florida he took five trips to visit state lotteries in

a private jet owned by GTech, which holds nearly a quarter of Camelot's shares.

He said: "These trips saved the taxpayers a lot of money ... I absolutely cannot see anything wrong in this."

Mrs Bottomley's reply said that her department became

by her husband Claude at yesterday's press conference, when Mr Banks was moved to tears by his wife's admission of her suicide attempt (below left) IN NEWS

'Lucky dip' offers random gamble

John Ezard

Owen Bowcott

An American attempt to make the first circumnav-

igation of the globe by balloon

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HE National Lottery is to launch a new "lucky dip" £1 gamble aimed

partly at easing the mental strain on people in a hurry who want to avoid having to choose six numbers a week in a busy shop.

It is expected to recruit even more entrants into the lottery and is based on the finding that 42 per cent change their numbers every week. The announcement came as a relief to the a new "instant" game was about to be introduced. The option, already used

lottery playslip for an addi-tional "lucky dip" after fill-ing in their six chosen numbers. Their numbers are printed on the tickets Only about 8 per cent of players use the existing "minimum effort" facility

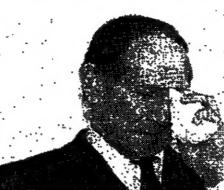
for social responsibility. said the church was

which lets them choose the same number for eight weeks by filling in a single times. playslip. John Kennedy, of the Methodist Church division

relieved that this was simply "a rehash of the weekly draw". Churches had asked for a moratorium on new

Angella Johnson reports on the

loctor's apology



action

'I was just looking at her and thinking how devastated Claude would be feeling. Suddenly, a vein twitched two or three Then pandemonium broke out'

available in hospitals. Bryan Jennett, emeritus professor of neurosurgery at Glasgow University, and one

family's solicitor said it epileptic, "took a large quan-would not be taking legal tity of her epilepsy tablets for the undertakers at Sam. cheated death. John Major, a cheated death. John Major, a despite Dr Roberts's and some alseping tablets ... Ken Davison, an old family family friend and the local overdose or hypothermia of judgment". Cambridge and Hun- drifted off to sleep."

of the pioneers in defining persistent vegetative state, said yesterday that a drug

Prof Jennett said a battery

How a drug coma can confuse doctors

Chris Mihill Medical Corresponde

EUROLOGISTS and gen-eral practitioners yesterday pointed out that a drug overdose can induce a coma so near to death that it can be difficult to detect life without sophisticated machinery only

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'games until instant in some overseas lotteries, will be launched in March. If entrants go straight to a counter and ask for a lucky dip, the retailer presses a button which prompts the winner has finally claimed a share of the £42 million computer to print a ticket with six random numbers payout from last Saturday's double rollover draw, Can for the Saturday night elot said last night. Like the draw. Otherwise entrants first two, the ticketholder can tick a new box on the | requested no publicity.

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bid ends with big let-down

research into their effects to the woman who wasknown. ● The third and last cheated death National Lottery jackpo

> ADOCTOR who wrongly declared farmer's wife Daphne Banks dead after she had attempted suicide yesterday apologised to the family for his error.

"I would like to say how sorry I am about what has happened," said Dr David Roberts, senior GP at a practice in Great Staughton in Cambridgeshire. "I am very pleased Mrs Banks is making good progress." Mrs Banks admitted she had tried to kill herself by

His solo voyage was planned to last 16 to 21 days, but on the third day his emergency beaswallowing a combination of con was activiated as he drifted through the skies off Novia Scotla, buffeted by high pills while suffering a bout of degression. At a news confer-ence attended by Mrs Banks and her husband Claude, the winds, light snow and low

Patrick Donovan

City Editor

The tingdon health commission, which investigated the incident, also said they would take no action. "The facts that we have established have allowed us to form the opin-ion that the doctor concerned

'error of judgment".

does not present a danger to his patients or the public," said a spokesinan. Mrs Banks, aged 61, looked

tense and nervous as she ap-peared in public for the first time since being saved by the timely intervention of an undertaker, shortly before her body was to be refriger ated at Hinchingbrooke hospital morgue, Huntingdon Cambridgeshire.

ranged for Dr Roberts to Asked how she was feeling, she replied in a faint voice: "Fine thank you." attend

A statement read on their behalf by solicitor Anthony Northey said that on New with several young children, examined the body and an-nounced that he could find no sign of life. He cancelled the Year's Eve. Mrs Banks, an

She had been feeling lopely body to the mortuary about and isolated for some time beseven miles away, where he cause her illness prevented her driving and her age noticed a vein twitching her right leg as he waited for the mortician to prepare a meant that she could no refrigerator for the body. Yesterday he said: "The longer walk to the nearest village from her 200-acre farm in tonely, Cambridgeshire. body was on a stretcher

"This sense of depression the floor. We had left her radually built up and on New Year's Eve it came to a nightdress on for decency and was just looking at her and thinking how devastated Claude would be feeling. Then head. She could not face going

suddenly, a vein twitched two Mr Banks arrived at the farmhouse after visiting their or three times. He then saw Mrs Banks's chest began moving and she daughter nearby and found his wife lying under the duve in their bedroom. She showed snored twice. "Then pandeno sign of life. He called the ambulance service, which arnonium broke out."

Mrs Banks's next recollec tion after taking the overdose tised in the area for about two years, issued a statement through the Medical Defence was seeing her daughter lean-Dr Roberts, a married man ing over her at 8am on Janu-

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ary 2. Her solicitor said Mrs Union saying doctor-patient confidentiality meant he Banks had been surprised to could make no further find berself the focus of world comment.

sympathy. Mr Banks wept as details of "GPs will listen to the hear and breathing and check the his wife's suicide bid and loneliness were revealed. The pulse, but there are no ma-chines available to GPs when couple, who have been mar they visit a house, and that is ried for 40 years, had turned down offers of "considerable where many deaths are de-clared. It is only in intensive care units that you see the

sums of money" for inter-views, their solicitor said. monitors. The couple are well-known of tests was carried out in in the area for their involvement in county cricket and bospitals, especially where charity work. Mrs Banks and ber family thanked the hospipatients were being checked or brainstem death before tal staff, the undertakers and mortuary staff for saving her life and asked to be left in peace so she could continue her recovery. Dr Roberts, who has prac-

transplant organs were taken. Problems occurred some-times in the homes of old people or with drunkards found in the snow. "However, these are special circumstances. I think we can reassure the public that hunireds of patients are not

being taken to morgues while they are still alive. If it was happening we would have heard about it by now.'

they are refurbishing their

dian lake last night as the clouds multi-millionaire Richard After he jettisoned equip-ment over the Bay of Fundy, his balloon touched down yes-Branson prepared to launch his high-altitude challenge. The race to claim one of aviterday afternoon on a frozen lake in New Brunswick. ation's last great records has pitted Steve Fossett — who made a fortune in soybean trading on Chicago's futures Asked by journalists how he felt, he replied: "Rather disappointed, and embarrassed that I didn't do better." markets — against a three-man team including the Brit-A spokesman at expedition ish Virgin Atlantic Airways owner. Swede Per Lind-

A spinsmin at expension headquarters in Chicago said: "We don't know what went wrong. We assume he had a problem with the battery."

When Big Ben booms at the turn of the century, industry sources are predicting chaos as baffled computer clocks RELIGIOUS cuts have long milennium will herald the end of the world. Now even wind themselves back to zero. The problem, which could cost £400 hillion to rectify worldwide, lies in the way the computer industry quakes typical software registers just before its own fin de siècle cri-sis — all because much of its the last two digits in the cal-endar year. Rather than spellsoftware has not been pro-grammed to count up to 2000. counters will simply read 00.

Computer giant IBM warns that this could play havon with everything from your in-come tax to financial and medical records. Ian Baker, the IBM manager responsible for the firm's "Year 2000 Cen-tre of Competence" warns that unless banks wise up to the problem "anybody trying to draw movey out of a cash till would find their card refused because the computer

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Millennarian doomsayers predict an uncertain future as computers put the clock back would think it had passed its written in the early 1980s. date of expiry". "People just were not thinking The same problem con-fronts banks, tax and govern-

ment offices. Even blood banks face electronic systems deciding that their entire plasma stocks are a century

systems, but they insist they are on the case and reckon the cost for the bank will be about the future then." Even the humble personal computer could be hit, with no more than £3 million. As for the Inland Revenue some older models expected to automatically reproa techno-boffin would only gramme themselves to the

say: "In computer language 00 comes before 99 and you can't have a year 00 after 99." All of which makes about as But don't count on your overdraft and tax bill being

wiped out on January 1, 2000. Banks like Barclays admit much sense as its new simpli-fied tax forms.

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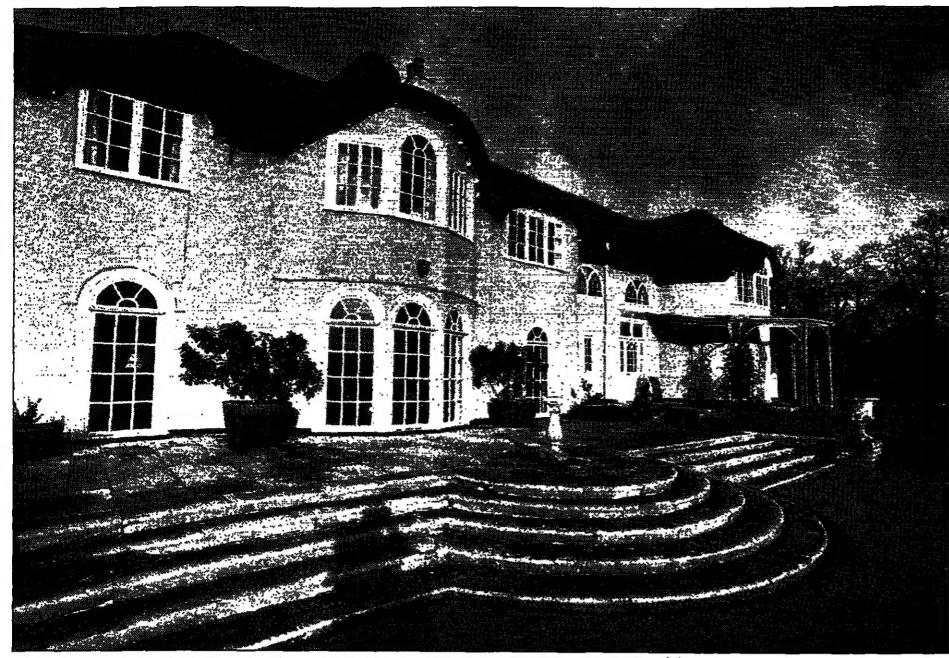
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strand and Rory McCarthy. Mr Fossett, aged 51, launched from South Dako-Mr Branson is in France ta's Black Hills four days ago, promising supporters: "We're going to have a good go at it." making last-minute prepara-tions for Virgin Global Chal-lenger's lift-off next week.

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. . Bishopswood at Fareham, Hampshire, which is 'cold and very expensive to maintain' but which is estimated to be worth about £1 million

Bishop feeling draught happy to move

Sally Weale talks to a cleric caught up in belt-tightening moves by the Church of England

HE new Bishop of Portsmouth said yes-terday he was perfectly happy to be giving up the sprawling 200-year-old residence that has been the home of the previous seven bishops for a much more modest house half a mile away.

The move - part of general belt-tightening in the Church of England as the result of a financial crisis — had led to a "rather silly controversy" on his first tour of the diocese, the Right Reverend Dr Ken-



eight Dr Stevenson: no question of his being evicted

time once renovation is com-Fareham, Hampshire. "It's plete at Carlton House. part of an overall pruning down of expensive houses It is thought to be the first time that senior clergy have been asked to make the sacriwithin the Church of Engfices forced on their lo

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Reputed to be worth about 21 million, the house was originally built in the 17th century as a gardener's cot-tage in the grounds of the Black Brook Farm Estate. It was largely rehuilt and ar of an acre of land. It was on the market for £300,000 and was largely re-built and exthe commissioners are investtended in the 1800s. It was bought by the Church of England in 1937 for

a few thousand pounds as a home for Neville Lovett, the So if money was the issue why did he not live in a semi like most of his congregation? first Bishop of Portsmouth after the creation of the "We have to entertain; we have to have people to stay; "It's been lovely, but it's old," Dr Stevenson, the we have to meet people.

"The consensus within the church is that bishops need to live in large houses. This new father of four children, said. He and his wife, Sarah, will leave Bishopswood with its bedrooms, its leaded

gothic windows, minstrels' gallery and pond in two years' since 1993, been reviewing the future of the 43 houses which are home to its diocesan bishops in an attempt to save money and enable them to live among their flocks,



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Shephard drops PM's opt-out plan

John Carvel Education Editor

HE Education and Employment Secretary, Gillian Shephard, yesterday took her revenge against the Prime Minister's meddling with her portfolio when she published an education bill abandoning all his ideas for encouraging more church schools to opt for grant main.

week of pre-school education at council or private nurser-ies or play groups. Ministers have said the vouchers will be distributed tained status. It had been widely forecas in February 1997 - before the that the Government would last possible date for an electhat the Government would scrap a proposal for a fast-track procedure allowing church schools to opt out without balloting parents. Ministers had little chance of tion - but could not be "spent" before the summer

The bill has narrowed the scope of the scheme by en-titling parents to vouchers forcing through a measure Anglican and Roman Catholic bishops condemned as dis-criminatory and divisive. But the Nursery Education and Grant Maintained Schools Bill also abandoned five other options for helping church schools distance themselves from local education authorities, including increased fi-nancial delegation and removal of council appointees from governing bodies.

"Mrs Shephard seems to have told John Major to get back in his box," said Alan Parker, education officer of the Association of Metropolitan Authorities. "He bounced her department into publish-ing proposals which it never believed in. Her officials have now rightly concluded that it would be unwise to include even some of his lesser pro-

Robin Squire, the Schools Minister, said the Govern-ment remained "fully com-mitted to extending the benefits of self-government to all schools". It was examining a range of longer term options.

only from the term starting after the child's fourth birthday. Most education authori-ties admit children to pri-mary school as "rising fives" — in the term when their fifth birthday falls. Many offer places at the start of the academic year in which a child will be five. For them the nursery entitlement may only

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maintained schools to mortgage land, buildings and

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money for developments. Its provisions for nursery

education will allow the Gov-

ernment to introduce a

voucher scheme in spring 1997, offering parents of four-

year-olds a certificate worth £1,100 which can be ex-

changed for five half-days a

be a term or two. David Blunkett, shadow education secretary, said: John Major has been forced into a humiliating retreat in the teeth of overwhelming opposition from church schools and the bishops." Don Foster, the Liberal Democrat education spokes-man, said the bill amounted

to two worthless gimmicks. • Leaders of all local author-ity associations agreed yesterday to make a formal com-plaint about comments by

Chris Woodhead, the chief inspector of schools. They asked Mrs Shephard to gag him after he published an article blaming authorities for a de-The bill will allow grant | pendency culture in schools.

Sinn Fein hope on weapons destruction

David Sharrock At one point it says: "There HE IRA might be pre-pared to allow an indeis no possibility in Sinn Fein's view of a surrender of i. A wilddrawel o British troops and the crewitness the destruction of its weapons by its own volun-teers, Sinn Fein has told the ation of an unarmed police service must be part of a geninternational body examining the issue of illegal arms. eral demilitarisation of the situation." The acceptance of the idea, Demilitarisation is Sinn first put to Sinn Fein by the Fein's preferred word for Northern Ireland minister. what the Government under-Michael Ancram, in May last year, is revealed in the par-ty's submission to the body, standa as decommissioning, but which also encompasses security force weaponry. The ed by President Clinton's paper reveals that the Govspecial envoy. George Mitchell. ernment made three proposals for dealing with illegal The Government yesterday weapons. resisted the temptation to de-These are: direct transfer to scribe Sinn Fein's cautious the authorities; depositing arms for recovery and de-struction by the authorities; endorsement as a positive step towards resolving the arms issue. The party's subor the destruction of arms by those in possession of them. mission also insists that a po-The paper argues that as part of a settlement "the dislitical settlement must be negotiated and agreed first. Downing Street has insisted that the IRA must make a posal of arms by those in pos-session of them is a method which might acceptance". confidence-building gesture find on arms before all-party talks begin. Mr Mitchell's panel has But it takes issue with the Government's suggestion that decommissioning would be "a promised to deliver its report to the British and Irish govformally promulgated and widely publicised scheme", saying that the issue "will ernments by next Thursday. The Government is also sceptical because the "DIY" need to be dealt with in a way option raises problems of ver-frication and a risk to public which imbues and maintain public and confidence". political afety.

The 29-page Sinn Fein peper sends out a number of confusing signals.

ing more in order to prepare it for Dr Stevenson.

house falls happily within the agreed size." • The commissioners have,

neth Stevenson said.

Betraying only the slightest trace of irritation, he said there was no question of his being evicted from the house, which will now be sold. He had known since last summer that Bishopswood, which is renowned for having the larg-est thatched roof in the south of England, would have to go.

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But despite the public offer in March 1994 by the Bishop of Peterborough to leave his 800-year-old palace. Ports-mouth is the only one to be

listed for disposal. Peterborough is one of the 28 to be retained, along with Auckland Palace, the castlelike home of the Bishop of Durham.

The 14 whose fate is yet undecided are Carlisle, Black-burn, Lichfield, Lincoln, Liverpool, Chelmsford, Che Norwich, Ripon, Sodor and Man (on the Isle of Man). Southwell in Nottingham shire, Truro, Worcester and London.

Leader comment, page 8

New bome Carlton House, a substantial replacement now being renovated PHOTOGRAPH: ROGER BAMBER

of the family.

NHS errors 'appal' MPs

servative MP for Rugby and | ferent death certificates, one Kenilworth, said: "Some of | of which was torn up in front David Brindle, Social Services Correspondent the cases brought before this committee are frankly appall-EALTH workers and

managers found guilty of serious errors are being allowed to keep their jobs when they should be sacked. MPs complained ·Hospital trusts are exploit-

ing their new freedoms under the NHS market by neclecting to discipline staff whose fail ings are exposed by the health service ombudsman, according to the Commons select committee the on ombudsman.

tioning Alan Langlands, NHS chief executive for England, and Geoff Scaife, his opposite number in Scotland. on recent cases investigated by the ombudsman.

These included the case of a woman who died at Basildon general hospital. Essex, 24 hours after the hospital tried to send her home and her

James Pawsey, the commit-tee's chairman and the Con-hospital then issued three dif-their competence."

Members of the committee protested that the same issues ing. I am genuinely worried about patients passing through these hospitals on emed to recur year after VEAT. future occasions." Michael Lord, Tory MP for Suffolk Central, said the com-The committee was ques mittee was getting "pretty fed

Tony Wright, Labour member MP for Cannock and Burntwood, said the ombudsman's reports appeared to "disappear into a black hole". Mr Pawsey said: "What bothers me is that we continue to see chief executives remaining in post in certain

Author finds poetic turn-up for the books on Burns

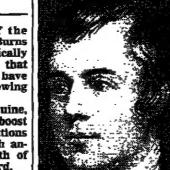
Erlend Clouston

ANTHOLOGIES of the work of Robert Burns may have to be radically revised after a claim that up to 40 of his poems have lain unnoticed in yellowing newspaper files. If confirmed as genuine,

the discoveries will boost the troubled celebrations surrounding the 200th anniversary of the death of Scotland's national bard. The anonymous but

apparently uncannily Burns-like verses were turned up by Stransaer author Patrick Hogg while

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Burns: '40 poems found'

Edinburgh Gazette. "When scanning the contributors' I first saw them I thought it columns of two radical 18th century publications, the Morning Chronicle and the year-old Mr Hogg, who was

preparing a book on Burns's "world view." "Then as I worked on, I thought 'Jesus Christ, it looks as though this is true.

Mr Hogg's claims will be eagerly devoured by participants in a three-day bicentenary Burns conference which opens at Strathclyde university today.

The conference is part of funding has staggered from disaster to disaster.

Burns.

Ken Simpson, director of Strathclyde university's centre for Scottish cultural studies, and organiser of the Burns conference, said

last night that some of the poems might indeed be by

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Labour's women MPs insist equality push must go on

Rebecca Smithers Political Correspondent

ABOUR'S women MPs want a commitment from the party's National Execu-tive Committee that it will

seek fresh measures to get more women into Parliament should it drop the all-women shortlists policy. Tony Blair, the Labour

leader, who in the past has declared the policy to be "not ideal", is reviewing it in the wake of Monday's industrial tribunal ruling that excluding men from shortlists is

unlawful. Amid fears that Mr Blair will abandon the policy for the 14 constituencies where all-women selections have been temporarily frozen, many woman MPs want a re-

a huge 'Rabbiefest', which despite £500,000 of public commitment to increasing its commitment to increasing its number of women MPs. Of the 271 Labour MPs in the that Parliament speaks up for

Women MPs have also been also angered by comments made by Labour's former deputy leader. Roy Hattersley, who welcomed the ruling and called on Mr Blair to abandon the "silly" policy now.

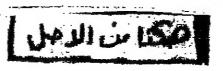
Harriet Harman, the shadow health secretary and a member of the "Emily's List" group backing more seats for women, said yester-day that Mr Hattersley's response was "not helpful". She said Labour's policy of

positive discrimination helped women by highlighting their under-representa-tion in all parties, not just Labour. She added that she would submit proposals to a meeting of the NEC's women's committee on Monday. The NEC itself meets again on January 31.

Helen Jackson, co-chairwoman of the Parliamentary Labour Party's women's group and MP for Sheffield Hillsborough, said she favoured an appeal against the tribunal ruling.

The shadow women's minister, Tessa Jowell, said: "We introduced all-women shortlists as a means of ensuring both women and men. We will continue to work towards achieving that end because we will not pay mere lip ser-vice to our guiding principles of equality and democracy."

Hugo Young, page 9





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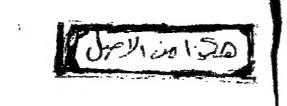
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Team strips ... Wigan rugby league stars Va'aiga Tuigamala (above), Shaun Edwards (far right) and Henry Paul in action wearing Breathe Rights PHOTOGRAPHS. VARLEY WILKINSON

News in brief

Treasury is tardy in paying bills

THE Treasury is by far the worst government department for paying bills, the Treasury minister, Angela Knight, has admit-ted in a letter to Labour's small business minister, Barbara Roche. Mrs Knight, Economic Secretary to the Treasury, revealed that 26 per cent of bills have been paid late so far in the current financial year. 1995/96.

Her reply corrected an earlier answer to a parliamentary question indicating that the Treasury's record in 1994/95 was 18 per cent. "I am very sorry to say that my officials made an error ... they now report that 18 per cent of invoices were not paid within 30 days in 1993/54, 25 per cent in 1994/95, and 26 per cent in 1995/96 so far," she wrote to Mrs Roche.

After the Treasury, the departments with the poorest record for settlement of their suppliers' bills in the current financial year are the Department of Trade and Industry, with 16 per cent, and the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Foods, with 14.5 per cent. — Rebeard Smithers

Basildon youths in court

TWO youths arrested during police investigations into the death of Leah Betts appeared in court yesterday on drugs charges. Stephen Smith. aged 18, of Basildon, Essex, and a 17-year-old from be provide the second s

as also charged that on November 11 he

Snoring cure keeps athletes' noses ahead

John Duncan on a new go-faster strip

Shead off their rivals are increasingly turn-ing to a small piece of plastic which sticks on to the nose and can improve oxygen intake by 5 per cent. The device - originally developed as a cure for snoring - looks like a plas-ter when in use and works by opening the nasal pas



States, where it has passed stringent medical tests and is widely used in American football.

It is being tested at Wigan rugby league club thanks to their sprint coach, Chris Butler, who came across the device on a fact-finding trip to America in September. "What it does is flare the

sages with springy plastic strips backed by adhesive. Called Breathe Right, it is imported from the United

ing. That's my contention although it's yet to be proven to help," he said. "It's useful in the aerobic sports and the [Andorrabased] Festina professional

cycling team have also tried it and found it useful. The anecdotal evidence is that there is an effect but we are in the business of winning and anything that

is legal we will look at. So far it looks good." Wigan players Va'aiga

Shaun Edwards and Henry Paul are among those who bave been enthusiastic about their nasal assis-tance. "Martin Offiah tried it too," said Mr Butler, "but I think he wanted one that didn't stand out so "I think they'll have to

bring out a darker version if they want him to wear one, though it doesn't bother any of the black American footballers."

American football players are said to wear the device, which costs around £6 for 10 and will be launched here in February after tests at Leeds's Carnegie College. "It's especially good for rugby league," said Mr But-ler. "because there are ler. "because there are some noses in the game that. let's say. have suffered from previous heavy contacts. But there is no reason why it shouldn't be used in other 'marathon' sports."



Smith alone w supplied four costasy tablets. No pleas were taken, and the court ordered that the 17-year old should not be identified. Bail was granted on condition both defendants live at home, although Mr Smith was given permission to go on a college trip to France. Leah collapsed during her 18th birthday party at her home in the village of Latchingdon on November 11 after taking one ecstasy tablet she bought for £12 in Basildon. — Alon Watkins

Cash appeal for landmarks

MILLIONAIRE Peter de Savary will put £1 million of his own cash into a new company to buy John O'Groats and Land's End if enough other people come forward to raise the remainder of the asking price.

Mr de Savary bought the two landmarks in 1989 and spent 26 million redeveloping a hotel at Land's End before selling them in 1991 to a New Zealand company, Gulf Resources Pacific, which

has now put them back on the market for 25.5 million. Yesterday he said: "I want to set up a public limited company to own and manage Land's End and the John O'Groats House Hotel. This will give everyone in Britain the chance to own a stake in two of the most famous landmarks in the country. I do not want to own them privately but I am prepared to pour all my energy and enthusiasm into turning them around, and I will put up to ΣI million into the kitty to buy the properties."

'Put road ragers on couch'

MOTORISTS convicted of "road rage" offences should undergo counselling before being allowed back behind the wheel, the RAC has told the Home Office.

Offenders should have to attend 10 two-hour sessions --- first with a psychologist and then in group therapy with other offend-ers. "Road rage is not supposed, officially, to exist, but we think it is a very serious problem," said a spokesman for the motoring organisation, Edmund King. A Home Office spokesman said: "All road rage is aggressive and violent behaviour, and there are plenty of laws to deal with that."

Unions told 2pc is too much

UNIONS representing 1.5 million council workers were warned

yesterday that a pay rise of more than 2 per cent would be "difficult to cope with" without risking jobs and services. Local government employers said many authorities in Britain could only afford any pay increase by cutting jobs and services. Talks in London over the pay rise were adjourned and will resume on January 29.

Water takeover demanded

EIGHTY Labour MPs yesterday called on the Environment Secre-tary, John Gummer, to seek a High Court order to take over drought-troubled Yorkshire Water until a new board and man-

agement structure was in place. They have tabled a Commons motion urging the move because the "disastrous record of Yorkshire Water and the ensuing histus in its board and management structure presents an urgent and continuing threat to the water and sewerage service in the county".

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FOUR Britons are among seven Westerners who have been kidnapped in a remote Indonesian province, according to an army spokesman in the capital; Jakarta. The Britone together with two Dutch people a German and army spokesman in the capital, Jakarta. The Britons, together with two Dutch people, a German and an Indonesian, were seized on Sunday in Jayawijaya, Irian Jaya, the Indonesian half of the island of New Guinea, the official Antara news agency reported yesterday. Official Antara news agency reported yesterday. None of those kidnapped has been identified and John Vir-goe, a diplomat at the British embassy in Jakarta, would say only that one of the Britons is a biologist.

only that one of the Britons is a biologist. Dutch and German diplomats would not give any details about the incident, which happened in the remote Baliem valley, where rebels of the Free Papua Movement (OPM) are

An Indonesian armed-forces spokesman, Brigadier Suwarno Adiwijoyo, said: "We are finding out if the kidnappers are from OPM, or if the people were taken by locals for entering their second places."

A World Wildlife Fund spokesman confirmed that two of the victims were its research workers, and said: "We are still collecting information and will report the findings to the

Sunday's kidnapping marks a rise in OPM's recent armed ictims' families."

activity. The group is seeking independence for Irian Jays, a former Dutch colony of West Papua which was ceded to Indone-sia in 1963 in a United Nations-sponsored process.

OPM rebels are still demanding a £11,500 ransom for two high-school pupils they kidnapped on November 22 in the Irian capital of Jayapura. — John Alionby, Jakarta.

FT reporter held in Nigeria

BRITAIN yesterday demanded that Nigeria immediately release a Financial Times journalist who was arrested in Ogoniland in

a Financial Times journalist who was arrested in Opermater in the south-east of the country. Jeremy Hanley, the Foreign Office minister, told the Commons that British consular officials had twice visited Paul Adams, the newspaper's correspondent in Lagos, since he was arrested on January 4 during an Ogoniland Day rally. "He is apparently being well looked after but, of course, he should be released and we are pushing for an early release," Mr Hanley said. "I understand there was some matter of the neces-sary journalistic documentation, but that is no reason to keep an impocent man in urison. We will do everything we can to secure innocent man in prison. We will do everything we can to secure

innocent man in prison. We will do everything we can to secure the release of Mr Adams as soon as possible." Mr Adams is being held in Port Harcourt, capital of the south-eastern Rivers state, which includes Ogoniland. The Financial Times said he was arrested by the state security service in Borl, Ogoniland, during a trip to the area, where there have been protests against pollution by oil firms and demands by local beonle for a greater share of oil revenues.

nave been protests against polition by on tirms and deniands of local people for a greater share of oil revenues. Last November Nigeria hanged nine Ogoni minority rights activists, including the author Ken Saro-Wiwa, triggering widespread condemnation of the country's military rulers and sanc-tions. — Rauer, London.

Haider faces legal action

PROMINÉNT Austrian intellectuals, entertainers and Jews are seeking legal action against the rightwing populist Jörg Haider (right), for alleged neo-Nazi activity after he praised members of the infamous Waffen SS. Georg Zanger, a lawyer, said yesterday he was filing papers with a court in Klagenfurt in Carinthia. where Mr Haider made his comments last autumn. The incident caused outrage and prompted calls for Mr Haider, who heads the Freedom Party, to resign from parliament.

Sponsors of the legal action include well-known artists and writers. - AP, Vienna

urt uns Noir's sentence

AN APPEALS court in Lyon yesterday increased the sentences of three defendants in a political corruption case symbolising high

living by French politicians during the 1980s. The court gave Michel Noir, the former mayor of Lyon, and Michel Mouillot, the incumbent mayor of Cannes, suspended 18month jail terms and ordered Noir's son-in-law, Pierre Botton, to

serve three-and-a-half years with another 18 months suspended.

neral mass? ike to say they are as modest as their

grey stone houses. But gossips were hard at work in the municipal cemetery where "François" will be laid to rest today in the last space in the Mitter-

rand family grave. "Where are they going to put Danielle when she dies?" asked Andrée Faure, aged 69. yesterday. She was visiting her father's grave, beside the drab memorial which houses the remains of 11 members of François Mitterrand's family. including his parents.

Far from the pomp and dignity of Paris-in-mourning, the modest people of Mitterrand's birthplace in south-west France were asking a few hard questions. What of Mr and Mrs Mitterrand's plans to be buried at Mont Beuvray in central France where the here. Gauls and Romans made peace in 52BC" And why was the self-consciously low-key and outspokenly agnostic Mit-

Father Jacques Pau, of the neo-Romanesque church of Saint Pierre, will officiate with the Bishop of Angou-leme at the 11am service. He doubted that Mitterrand had undergone a deathbed

conversion. "I never met him but I have read his books. Agnosticism and profound faith are equally spiritual emotions. Mr Mitterrand once said that if he met God, he hoped the Lord would say, Now you know. Wel-come'." Fr Jacques said.

He did not know why Mrs Mitterrand had said last year

that the couple would be buried at Mont Beuvray. "As far as I'm concerned he always intended his funeral to take place in the church where he was baptised and married and to be buried said

15 years ago.

For the 5,000 people of Jar-nac — set on the swollen Charente river and home to Cour-

HOUSANDS of mourners | rand was mounted on scaf-gathered in the Place de folding. Loudspeakers Bastille in Paris last played solemn Bach and Beethoven pieces and Mozart opera arias as thousands of people streamed out of the Métro and adjoining streets under a veil of light rain.

expected at the private ser-vice, which will be relayed by oudspeaker all over Jarnac. After the service, the cor-tège will move 500 yards to the Grandes Maisons ceme-

HE people of Jarnac | military honours and a fu- | Bastille rally honours Mitterrand | Abel Guy, where Mitterrand | stories of Francois and his like to say they are ineral mass? As a boy, Marc Saunier, aged 79, played table-tennis heads of state will attend a solemn mass of remembrance at the Cathedral of Noire with the president-to-be. Jeanne Bordage, aged 78, who Dame in Paris, to be held at went to primary school with the same time. Mitterrand, said their teacher

table was in keeping with tra-ditions established on the come "a bishop or a deaths of presidents Pompi-dou and De Gaulle. But a

signing a book of remembrance in the town hall yeserday were visibly dazed. "It is as if the events were happening here but at the same time somewhere else,

tion, she wrote her message in the book of remembrance.

eral had written "Adieu Ton-ton" — the affectionate term for uncle which became Mit-

Alling or just ageing? G2,

said Eliane Boujut-Clochard, aged 73. Trembling with emo-

"He was somebody," it said simply. Others had written

forced their suspicion of | be flown from Paris by military aircraft, arriving at Co-Paris. gnac, seven miles away, at Maurice Volron, the centrist mayor, aged 67, has clashed with Béatrice Mare, 9.30am. The coffin will be brough by road to Jarnac's Place du Château and carried 200 Mitterrand's former cabine chief, and with the Elysee Palace. "I'm trying to respect the family's wishes for a quiet yards to Saint Pierre by eight military cadets. More than 500 people are ceremony, but others want things done differently," he As police and army paced the route of the cortege yes-terday, Mrs Mare announced the "irrevocable" plans for and outspokenly agnostic Mit- voisier brandy — events since the "irrevocable" plans for the Grandes Matsons ceme-terrand being buried with full Mitterrand's death have rein- today. Mitterrand's body will tery, stopping outside 7 rue

Mrs Mare said the timehad predicted he would be-

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ous of the gentie childhood memories which were being steamrollered by state pomp. Claudine Roche, aged 29, one of two local florists, had not slept since Monday morning. She had received more than 3,000 orders for single red

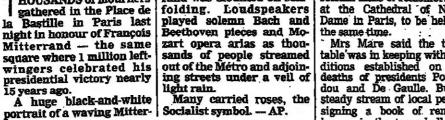
Yesterday she was pinning eucalyptus and rose leaves to a heart-shaped base which would be decorated with red

roses and a wooden dove. "It is for someone close to poems or drawn pictures the family, but I am too tired to remember whom." she

terrand's nickname. While the people from Paris made plans, the people of Jar-nac were warmly recounting page

Alex Duval Smith in Jamac reports on a town's attempts to keep its favourite uncle's funeral simple | World news in brief Farewell to 'a somebody'

Younger people were oblivi-



French security officers hold a briefing at the Mitterrand family tomb in the Jarnac cemetery where the former president will be buried today

EU tells Croatia Caucasian tinderbox needs only a to enforce pact spark to start a conflagration

John Palmer in Brussels

UROPEAN UNION governments are increas-ingly incensed at the Croatian government's reluc-tance to stop local Croat militias undermining the Bosnian peace agreement in Mostar. Hans Koschnick, the EU-appointed administrator of the ethnically divided southern city, yesterday threatened a complete withdrawal of his civil and police forces later this year unless communal violence ends.

"If I get the impression that the Croatian side does not want a federation and a want a federation and a united Mostar, then we have nothing to do here," Mr Koschnick told reporters. He said the Croatian au-

thorities in Zagreb had claimed to support the Day-ton agreement but had not informed the local Croat mili-tias that this included acceptance of a united, multiethnic Mostar within a united

Bosnian-Croat federation. Asked why the local Bosnian Croat police had ignored Croatian government declara-tions supporting the Dayton agreement, Mr Koschnick said: "Maybe the [Croat] com-mander of police in Mostar is more important than the president in Zagreb. The goveople here what is going on." EU. That is completely out of The Dayton agreement stippeople here what is going on."

ulates that Mostar — cur-rently divided between Croat and Bosnian Muslim forces — David Hearst in Moscow should be a united city with the right of free movement for all. But local Croat militias, allied to the Croatian presi-

dent Franjo Tudiman, want Mostar to become the capital of a breakaway statelet merged with Croatia. Fighting began last week after Croat police killed a Muslim youth. A brief lull ended on Tuesday night when firing resumed across the informal dividing line between

eastern and western Mostar. The European Commission and EU governments do not believe the campaign to undermine the Dayton accord could have been launched without the covert approval of the Croatian government, which finances the Croat ad-

ministration in Mostar. The EU suspended all eco-nomic aid to Zagreb and nego-tiations on a trade and co-operation accord, after evidence emerged of massacres of Serb civilians during the recapture of Krajina by Croat forces last year. EU governments have been further angered by Zagreb's refusal to surrender

war crimes suspects. "At one time Tudjman had friends in high places in some member states," one EU diplomat said. "There was talk of

OR Dzhokhar Dudayev and his rebel fighters, the choice of a border post in neighbouring Dagestan as the scene of confrontration with Russia was not accidental

Dagestan is a loose patchwork of 40 ethnic minorities, all of which jockey for posi-tion. This precarious balance of rival nationalities could easily be upset should Rus-sian troops open fire on hos-tages from, for example, the Avar or Lezgin communities. Although the Avars are bitterly hostile to the Chechen diaspora in Dagestan, and may yet carry out the threat they made yesterday to stage revenge attacks on Chechen families. Mr Dudayev's tac-

tics are clever. If the hostage-taking succeeds, as the operation against the southern Russian town of Budyonnovsk did last year, it would be a grave blow to Moscow's authority. If it fails, the death of members of other North Caucasian ethnic groups, will ignite a fuse set-ting off parallel explosions. Either way, he wins.

Dagestan is a key route for weapons for Mr Dudayev's fighters, who receive arms from the Islamic lands ernment in Zagreb should tell Croatia eventually joining the through Azerbaijan and up continue the war, Mr Du-

What goes on is enough to make Virginia Bottomley hurl herself over the battlements alongside Tosca. Forget the posturing of Pavarotti and the tantrums of the three tenors, it's the management who stamp their feet at the Royal Opera House.

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dayey's fighters need chaos in | the potential to spark a neighbouring states. The "Lone Wolf" who heads regional conflagration that

the hostage-taking gang. Sal-man Raduyev, has been true to his promise to spread the fire of Chechenia throughout the North Caucasus. More than 13 months ago, Moscow justified its military invasion of Chechenia by claiming that eparatism there would destabilise the entire Federation. It was an argument at least partly accepted by Western strategists, despite their con-

demnation of the tactics used. Opinion is shifting about the effect that the quagmired military operation has had on this frontier zone, a vital conduit for gas and oil pipelines between the Caspian and Black Seas.

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One recent study of Rus-

sia's problems in the area concluded: "The North Caucasus is a tinderbox where a of central control. conflict in one republic has

will spread beyond its borders into the rest of the Russian Federation and will invite the involvement of Georgia. Azerbaijan, Turkey and Iran and their North Caucasian diasporas."

The report, compiled by the Strengthening Democratic Institutions Project of Harvard University, argued that Chechenia and other conflicts in the North Caucasus were directly attributable to the lack of an experienced local leadership, a legacy of the col-lapse of the Soviet Union. On one thing everyone is agreed. Russia's regional policy is in chaos. Moscow has had four nationalities ministers in as many years. Policy

has swung from advocating as much autonomy as possible to insisting on the re-imposition Russia has signed away de-

volved powers to Tatarstan, where Muslims are a large minority, and appears to be offering the same deal to Doku Zavgayev, the Moscow backed head of the Chechen covernment in Grozny. But this liberalism has only increased the complaints of Russia's regions, who are de-manding parity. Regions such as the North Caucasus are dependent on Moscow's subsidies. Russian federal subsidies provided 97 per cent of Ingushetia's budget in 1993. In the Urals, Eduard Rossel the elected chief of Yekaterinburg region has shot to prom inence by demanding "equa Russian region. In the Caucasus, policy

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In Chechenia, Moscow backed Ruslan Khasbulatov and Dzhokhar Dudayev in their struggle against Mr Zavgayev, the Soviet boss. But Mr Zavgayev was also an influential member of a leading Chechen clan, the Gendergnoi. Mr Yeltsin could not

long, and four years later he is back as the linchpin of Moscow's tenuous hold on Grozny. Fertile land in this densely populated zone is at a premium. Before rival clans clashed for position, while the state remained the owner. Now they can fight over oil.

In this election year, Mr Yeltsin cannot afford to lose control. or the tinderbox fire could well spread to Moscow.

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rights" for Russia's regions. President Boris Yeltsin has promised to sign a "special treaty" with Yekaterinburg region, his own birthplace. It would be the first such agree-ment between Moscow and a

swings have had a disastrous effect. In 1990, when Mr Yeltsin was eager to enlist support from wherever it came against Soviet power, he urged the Mari, Komi and Tatar republics in the Voiga region to "take as much sov-

ereignty as they could".

abandon Mr Zavgayev for

guns and land.

In April a lower court had sentenced Noir and Mouillot to 15month suspended prison terms and had ordered Botton to be jailed for two years, with another two years suspended, for their roles in an illicit political funding scheme. Botton had been charged with misappropriating 48.5 million francs (\$8.5 million) from firms he controlled, and with making payments to Noir and Mouillot to gain influence and contract

Noir and Mouillot were in turn accused of using the funds from Botton to further their careers through hospitality. Lawyers for Noir and Mouillot argued that the gifts of money were proper and that they did not know they were from embezzled funds. — *Reuter, Lyon.*

US soldier on rape charge

A UNITED STATES soldier based in South Korea was arrested yesterday on charges of attempted rape after he allegedly broke into a woman's apartment, a US military statement said.

Terrence Hines, an army private, was in US military custody after Korean police pursued him from the apartment in the Itaewon district of Seoul, near the country's biggest American military base, the statement said.

Police were called to the apartment early in the morning by a neighbour, the statement said. Mr Hines has also been charged

with assault, housebreaking and breach of the peace. About 37,000 US troops are based in South Korea, and offences by servicemen have caused local protests. - Reuter, Seoul.

Crash toll put at 350

THE international relief group Médecins Sans Frontières said vesterday that at least 350 people had died in Zaire when a cargo plane ploughed into a crowded Kinshasa market, well above the previously announced official death toll.

Zaire's authorities said on Tuesday that at least 264 people had died in the crash on Monday, one of the worst civilian air disasters ever.

A spokeswoman for Medecins Sans Frontières sald the higher figures came from its relief workers on the spot. The group said it was sending extra health personnel and

medicines to run-down hospitals treating the injured.

In Kinshasa, Zaire's elite security guards yesterday patrolled the aisles of the Cathedral of the Centenary as President Mobutu Sese Seko interrupted a self-imposed exile to attend a memorial for the crash victims. - Reuter, Paris and Kinshasa.

Ex-communists sell discos

DESPERATELY short of cash, Italy's former communists, the Democratic Socialist Party (PDS) have put their most profitable sets, two discotheques, on the market

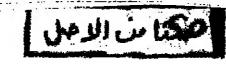
Assess, two inscontenties, on the market. The nightclubs Armony, in Reggio Emilia, and Mondonuovo, near Bologna, are in the "red belt" of north-central Italy. Both venues are popular with young people from the area, most of whom are unaware of their political past. About 150 billion lire (£62 million) of the party's 350 billion lire

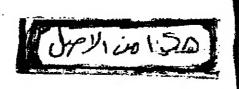
debt was run up by the party's daily newspaper and another 150 billion lire is being renegotiated with its five main banks.

The PDS hopes to pay off the remaining amount from cost savings and income.

The party's historic headquarters, in Via delle Botteghe Oscore

The party's instant a measurements, in via tene bortegne oscure in the centre of Rome, is already up for sale. The PDS, which says banks, embassies and hoteliers have expressed interest, plans to move to the edge of town, according to Giorgio Maciotta, in charge of the party's restructuring. "We'll be gone by the end of the year." he said. — John Glover, Milan.







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Rifkind pleads for Beijing to end feud with Patten China is asked to bury the hatchet

HE Foreign Secre-tary, Maicolm Rifkind, will plead with China today to stop treating Chris Patten, the governor of Hong Kong Party chains Party chairman, like a political untouchable. Ending a feud with Mr Patten -- condemned by China as "a serpent, a whore and a sin-

ner for all millennia" - is essential to calm jitters in Hong Kong and fears of a turbulent handover of British rule, officials said

In talks yesterday, China's prime minister, Li Peng, seemed unmoved by warnings of an exodus in the final 18 months of British rule. "This does not matter," he said

does not matter," he said. Mr Ll's comments, broad-cast on China's national television news, followed an ap-peal by Mr Rifkind to stop what British officials called a "haemorrhaging of confi-

dence" in the colony. In particular Britain wants China to stop treating Mr Pat-ten like a leper. On his first day in China on Monday. Mr tions," President Jiang told the former US president, Rifkind urged its foreign minister. Qian Qichen, to open dialogue with Mr Patten, a message to be repeated in talks later today with China's pres-ident, Jiang Zemin.

wants him excluded from the 1997 handover ceremony. "They have made their point, now they have to make Applications for emigrant visas to Canada — the destina-tion of choice for Hong Kong professionals — increased by 70 per cent last year. a decision," a British official said. "There has been a clear deterioration [in relations over Hong Kong], it cannot be

regarded as just a blip." Mr Rifkind met the Chinese leader just hours after Chan-nel 4 broadcast a documen-tary alleging the use in Chinese archements But Mr Li seemed unmoved by British arguments that China could calm unease by talking to the governor, drop-ping plans to dismantle Hong Chinese orphanages of "dying rooms" to cull unwanted in-fants. Beijing has condemned Kong's elected Legislative Council and watering down a Bill of Rights. "We have full confidence in the film as a "vicious attack

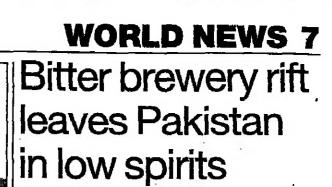
"We have full confidence in the stable transition in Hong Kong and smooth transfer of power," he said. "We believe that, as long as Hong Kong keeps a good investment and trade environment, then those who have left will return." But he did remeat China's But yesterday it muted its anger, turning instead on the United States over its policy "The Taiwan issue, if not handled properly, will exert a very destructive role on the

But he did repeat China's commitment in the 1984 Joint Declaration to allow the post-George Bush, who is visiting the country. Mr Rifkind said he asked about conditions in China's orphanages and raised the case of the jailed dissident Wei Jingsheng. "Naithar the 10th

"Neither the [Chinese] away a single penny of Hong prime minister nor the for Kong's money."



Uphill task ... Foreign Secretary Malcolm Rifkind tours the Forbidden City in Beljing yesterday before his talks with China's prime minister, Li Peng PHOTOGRAPH: GREG BAKER



Gerald Bourke in Islamabad

BITTER battle over Pakistan's leading brewery has caused an Murree Brewery, in Rawalpindi, is the coun-try's oldest industrial company, established in 1861 to quench the thirst of British troops across the Indian

sub-continent. The company is facing its biggest challenge. It has been more or less out of action for the past seven months since Sindh province, which consumed 70 per cent of its sales of beer and spirits, banned "imports" of alcohol from Punjab, Murree's home province. Sindh said the ban was justified as the Punjab government had failed to pay overdue taxes on alcohol to Sindh.

Murree took the case to the supreme court, which ordered Punjab to pay its arrears and Sindh to allow unhindered access to Murree's products.

ree's products. Punjab paid up, but Sindh defied the court's ruling, "The Sindh govern-ment showed no respect for the highest court in the land," said Minoo Bhan-dara, Murree's chairman. The row has cost prime minister Benadr Bhutto's try's newspapers. The advertisement minister Benazir Bhutto's

The advertisement pointed to the Sindh govnumber benari bintio's cash-strapped government millions of rupees in reve-nue. It has also fuelled rumours that powerful eleernment's refusal to grant access to Murree's products, the loss of jobs and tax revenue this entailed, and the smuggling ments in her administraencouraged.

tion — her controversial husband, the businessman Asif Zardari, in particular Lesser victims of the squabble, however, will - stand to gain hand-somely from the chaos in also have to wait for the court to enforce the verdict to determine how best to the lucrative drinks trade. Sources in the drinks slake their thirst.

Indian law aims to curb female infanticide

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Suzanne Goldenberg in New Delhi

At the same time, people want fewer children and are NDIA has banned the misunwilling to have large famuse of ultrasound, amnio-centesis and other tests ilies just to satisfy the desire for a son. used to determine the sex of a Social activists and village foetus, in an attempt to limit deliberate abortions of girls. midwifes say abortion of girl foetuses is the modern, middle-class variant of an an-The law, which took effect this month, carries a heavy fine and a three-year jail term cient practice of female infanticide.

for parents and doctors involved in the abortion of a healthy foetus. It follows last year's ban on clinics that specialise in determining the sex of foetuses, and restricts

the use of such tests to detecting genetic diseases. Women's activists au

price stretching into hun- for us to suffer, but we killed dreds of thousands of rupees. | the baby and escaped." the baby and escaped.

Across India, there is little reliable data on how many babies are sacrificed to the cult of the boy child. But be-tween 1981 and 1991, the number of females per 1,000 males declined from 934 to 929, ac-cording to the latest census. In developed countries there are 1,060 females for every 1,000 males.

In the northern states of While the proliferation of abortion clinics may be more visible, female infanticide is Haryana and Punjab, where fertile lands guarantee a stan-dard of living well above the probably more widespread. national average, the last de-cade has seen a boom in ultra-Infant mortality figures do not take account of the tiny sound clinics, identified by neon signs on the main roads of market towns. In these corpses buried secretly in the backyard or dumped in the jungle. Some reports claim

that in drought-stricken and



trade believe the ban. which was relaxed recently to allow a trickle of Mur-

ree's products into Sindh, was designed to facilitate Byram Avari, a wealthy ho-telier. He has a longstand-Whrewery has caused an acute shortage of locally made beer and spirits in this supposedly "dry" Is-lamic state, allowing smugglers from India, its arch-enemy, and the Ara-bian Gulf to cash in. Hyram Avari, a weality ho-telier. He has a longstand-ing ambition to build a brewery and distillery in Karachi, the Sindh capital. Mr Avari denies his pro-ject — which has been halted by a legal appeal Mr Avari denies his pro-ject — which has been halted by a legal appeal from Murree Brewery — is sponsored by Mr Zardari. "Mr Zardari is a friend. What does that prove? I'm also on first-name terms

with many of the leaders of the opposition," he said. Only the country's religions minorities, which ac-count for less than 3 per cent of the estimated 130 million population, can

legally drink. Some are obliged to plead alcoholism to secure their entitlements. But many Muslims, in-cluding members of the country's elite, imbibe the best of imported booze with impunity behind closed

The Koran condemns drinking and makes it clear that Muslims would be better off avoiding alcohol altogether. Mr Bhandara, having

failed to get the supreme court to honour its verdict - and when his contacts, such as Mr Zardari, proved to no avail - appealed to Ms Bhutto in an advertisement in one of the coun-

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that laws are not enough to areas, there are already only save baby girls in a society where female children are viewed primarily as a financial burden. A social transformation is required.

In many Indian communities, custom demands that each stage in a girl's life must be marked by a series of costly rituals.

Increasing commercialism has magnified the cost of wed-dings especially. Although dowries are illegal, grooms' families are said to be ever more greedy, with sons in the

85 girls for 100 boys. At the other end of the country, in the southern state of Tamil Nada, surveys by women's groups claim half of

poor areas, it is a miracle if a second daughter survives. all newborn girls are killed. Girls are most at risk if their mother already has a daughter. The women say they have little choice but to sacrifice lar: poisoning by locally made

"My husband would not have left if it had been a boy," forcing a few grains of un-husked rice down tiny said Amarvati, a villager in Kannapuram, Tamil Nadu. "I throats; starvation or neglect. Some babies are buried alive. had to kill it. There was no Every village has someone civil service commanding a alternative. God made a plan | who is expert at killing.

It is generally agreed that female infanticide is spreading from upper-caste communities to areas where daughters once were tolerated. All across the country, the methods of dispatch are simi-

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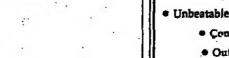
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The Gulf war: the truth

Well, more than we were told at the time, anyway

ONLY five years have passed since the | down a single Scud. The world was fed a Gulf war. Yet in those five years the public picture of what happened in the West's most demanding post-Vietnam retaliation which might split the Arabs military operation has altered dramati- from the Western coalition. Many suscally. Several of the important gaps are pected at the time that Patriot power being filled in by the BBC's current was a myth. Now it's official. being filled in by the BBC's current Gulf war documentary series, although many questions still remain unanswered, even there.

Nevertheless the documentaries are a significant public event and deserve to sham to win the last three or four proprovoke wide debates. Perhaps the most important underlying concession in the than a real chance of a negotiated BBC series is about why the war was actually fought. At the time, and in Mrs Thatcher's rhetoric in particular, the Gulf War was full of echoes of the fight against Hitler. Coming as it did in the 50th summer after the Battle of Britain. the invasion of Kuwait inevitably triggered the reaction that aggression should be resisted and appeasement spurned. Yet Kuwait was not Poland. In reality the Gulf War was fought about oil, as General Brent Scowcroft admitted in the first programme. By invading | not as precise as we were told and the Kuwait Saddam Hussein put himself in Americans soon found themselves, to control of a fifth of the world's oil and in a position, if he invaded Saudi Arabia, to control twice that amount. That was a legitimate reason for going to war with Iraq - but it wasn't the reason that was advanced at the time.

The second big insight provided by the series was the confirmation in Tuesday night's second programme that Iraqi Scud missiles were far more successful in reality than anyone admitted at the time. In 1991 the world - and the Israeli public in particular --- was constantly informed that the Patriot missiles were matching the incoming Scud attack. The Patriot became a symbol of allied resistance. President Bush lauded it as the Scudbuster. Yet in reality it was no such thing. As the former Israeli defence minister Moshe Arens now publicly admits, not a single Patriot brought

legend because of the crucial political importance of preventing an Israeli

The Patriot is not the only myth. The last-ditch diplomatic meetings in Geneva before the expiry of the UN ultimatum turn out to have been a necessary war votes in the US Congress rather peace. The majority reaction in the White House to Saddam's invasion was that the US could live with it, rather than that they must repei it; influenced by the unpopularity of Vietnam, Colin Powell wanted to give sanctions two years to bite before mounting a military response. In the first exciting hours of the war, it seemed as if precision bombing would finish the thing off "before the next commercial break", as General Powell put it. In fact, the bombing was quote General Powell again, "bombing rubble with million dollar missiles" The US military's doubts were reported in general terms at the time, but the two programmes broadcast so far show that the scale of scepticism was far

greater than has yet emerged. The BBC series has its critics, and it is certainly not the last word on the Gulf war. Nevertheless it is public interest television of a high order. Reassessments of this kind should make us pause. Wars cannot be fought without official lies and real people face real death unless the truth is concealed from the enemy at the time. But we need to beware of taking our own propaganda too seriously afterwards. Five years on, the true lessons of the Gulf war are of far more than just historical interest.

The hawks versus the lone wolf

What exactly does Mr Yeltsin think he's up to in Chechenia?

BORIS YELTSIN has been demanding | ment. Civilians continued to die and more "explanations" over Chechenia there was little effort to win hearts and from his generals. If he could explain minds. After an assassination attempt what Russian policy has been trying to | in September on Mr Yeltsin's envoy, the



Letters to the Editor

Why prison isn't working

CHAIRMAN of the AS CHAIRMAN of the Board of Visitors at Whi-temoor Prison, I have seen at first hand the effects of years of never-ending initiatives from Civil Servants and the Home Office. The Prison Service needs time to consolidate without further interference. Last year the watchword was security and our board knows more than many the high priority this needs. This year it is finance — or the lack of it. Many prisons, such as Holloway, are finding it ex-tremely difficult to run any type of constructive regime. This is at a time when the Home Secretary is still looking into the possibility of spending vast amounts of money building and running

a "supermax" style of prison. If, after spending over 26m on Whitemoor, 22m-plus at Full Sutton and as yet un-known amounts at Long Haven and Frankland to make them top-security prisons, they still appear not to be consid ered secure enough for high risk prisoners — contrary to the local Board's opinion — the whole episode has been a waste of taxpayers' money this climate of cut-backs. Penelope Lambert.

Chairman, Board of Visitors, HMP Whitemoor Cambridgeshire PE15 0PR.

Odds against the stakeholder

cosy stakeholder future are internationally competiwhere all benefit (Stake that claim, January 8). The biggest tive, le lower. Tony Blair's next visit stake most people want out of should be to the Continent to link up with our neighbours and push for the protectionist society is secure employment and the meeting of basic social needs. Globalisation policies which underpinned the early success of the Asian

will ensure the opposite. Under the pressure to be in-Tigers. Europe could then ternationally competitive, rebuild its economy so that it automation is sweeping through manufacturing and services and facilitating fran-zied downsizing. Lowered returns to producing most of its own needs. People then would have the opportunity to take a real stake in their tariff barriers and cheap future, rather than be offered labour in Asia and Eastern a "stakeholder" fantas Europe have cut jobs, either Colin Hines & Tim Lang. through competition from im-ports, or through relocation. 11 Park House Gardens, East Twickenham

The holy grail of inward in-Middlesex TW1 2DP vestment now enthusiastically sought by Tony Blair during his Asian tour has T IS generous of Will Hutton to attempt to throw the more acceptably radical cloak of the authority of Professor J resulted in the replacement of existing jobs, increased imports of components, and K Galbraith over the origins

removed R&D to other countries. It has made jobs more vulnerable to decisions of stakeholding. However, a more extended reading of Galbraith's The New Industrial State would have shown that Galbraith's made outside the country. Adequate taxation is fundamain concern was to reveal the weakness of workers and their unions, of consumers mental to the provision of the kind of work that can't be automated or provided by foreign imports. This includes and even of individual shareinfrastructural renewal of holders in face of the "technostructure" of the large corpoour villages, towns and cities, and face-to-face caring jobs. ration integrated with the

T IS just not possible to Both require substantial public nation state. Can Hutton | tion", we add "no stake with embrace globalisation and lic money yet Tony Blair in | please show us how the large | out a voice". at the same time promise a | stead talks of tax rates that | public sector is to be used and | Richard Evans. capitalist company law al-tered so that those who are not now in control of the. "techno-structure" - including most full-time workers, the part-time employed, lowpaid women, the unemployed and the pensioners — are to be involved in the way that their stakes are placed in the capitalist market? Michael Barratt Brown. Rohin Hood Farm, Baslow, Bakewell Derbyshire DE4 1PQ.

> THE original concept of stakeholders recognises that companies are social institutions, where economic exchange rests on a bedrock of trust and co-operation. Social accounting tracks dif-ferent stakeholder views, needed if the business community is to move beyond a sole focus on dividends for shareholders.

The creation of a stakeholder economy will depend on the extent to which our public institutions and the business community can be made accountable to all those who have a stake in their prosperity and future devel-opment. To the old cry of "no

Traidcraft. Ed Mayo. New Economics Foundation. neweconomics@gn.apc.org Vine Court, 112-116 Whitechapel Road, London El LJE. ONY BLAIR should take note that underpinning Singapore's economic policies is a commitment to maintain-

is a communent to maintain ing the value of the Singapore dollar. In 1984, £1 was equal to \$\$3.40 but today it buys S\$2.30. Twenty-five years ago, fl was equal to US\$2.40. Today, against a weak US dollar, £1 is equal to US\$1.52. So much money has been taken from the wage packets of the British people and wasted that Government can no longer meet its social contract to repay that money in the form of pensions that keep up with the real rate of inflation. Switching to a central Provident Fund taking 22 per cent or more from income merely provides that much more opportunity for Govern-ment to behave ment incompetently. Len Webster.

Marshall Road, taxation without representa- Warley, W Midlands B68 9ED.

achieve there over the past year, his Kremlin hawks appear to have peroutrage might be more convincing. At suaded him that the military option the end of December 1994, Mr Yeltsin should be resumed. Within weeks the emerged from hospital to order a halt to | defence and interior ministry forces bombing raids on civilian Chechen were once again waging war without areas - resumed the next day when an orphanage was destroyed. This time Russian forces have been on the receiving end, wholly outmanoeuvred in a daring raid staged by Chechen 'lone wolf' fighters into the neighbouring vals and the flow of body bags has republic of Dagestan. But the question | resumed. In December Mr Yeltsin sigremains: what is the Russian aim in Chechenia and is there the slightest hope of it being achieved?

The military accord signed in July, which provided for the withdrawal of Russian troops and the surrender of empty exercise, criticised as "premaweapons by Chechen fighters, was shaky from the start. The Chechen side was certainly not an innocent party: few weapons were surrendered and areas vacated by the Russian army were re-occupied by local gunmen. The rebel leader Dzhokhar Dudayev is a dubious character whose behaviour verges on the psychopathic. In a chilling interview which we published last month, conducted in a disused SS-22 silo, he praised war as "a special art form" and predicted more terrorism against Russia. The people of Kizylar have discovered that he was not joking. But the Russian army showed its impatience early on with the agree-

effective political control by the President or authorisation by the Russian Duma. They have been singularly ineffective: assassination attempts and ambushes have continued at regular internalled a definitive end to seeking a negotiated solution by ordering elec-

tions for a new regional government in Chechenia to coincide with the national parliamentary elections. This was an ture" by the OSCE mission which was trying to broker a deal. Even Moscow's own man in Chechenia, the former Communist Doku Zavgayev, was dubious at first. The elections set off a new bout of fighting as rebels occupied the second largest city of Gudermes on the eve of a meaningless poll.

The kinder view of Mr Yeltsin is that he has been unable to work out a consistent way of tackling an almost insuperable problem. The darker interpretation, shared by quite a few Russians, is that renewed war in Chechenia may suit his purpose in a year of presidential elections which he might prefer to see postponed.



Cheap tricks from rotten boroughs

So THE residents of Oxford are up in arms over the prospect of a "downmarket What to do? Well, for a start, the Government should act to stop local councils from giving planning permission Disneyland" being built near their city centre ('Disney' plan makes old Oxford wince, for developments on land which they own. Development proposals for January 8). They're in good

such sites ought to be made company. Perhaps the saddest thing the subject of a public inabout this story is that it can be mirrored in dozens of quiry, rather than being writ-ten into the council's own other places up and down the country. Crinkly tin or brick-clad "sheds" have sprouted local plan for the area - or even, in some cases, before planning permission is (and continue to sprout) on publicly owned land, which granted contrary to the local plan. The current wave of nan might (naively) the layman might (naively) think had been acquired with cheque-book planning by local councils should be his or her taxes for some kind brought to an end. of wider public benefit - and not for the local council to Philip Bisatt. 24 Brunswick Court,

flog off to some property de-veloper to raise quick bucks. Swansea SA1 4HZ.

An update on that Byker Grove storyline

Beatralx Campbell's developed between the white kind of allegations reported in your column. January 9) is opinion loosely ers and police attempted to Such incidents must hapattached to a one-sided and inaccurate account of recent events here.

During October and November, it became clear that pupils were being harassed on their way through the nearby Metro station. Items of property were being taken from them with threats. The

police were alerted and efforts were made to support pupils. Teaching staff volun-tarily patrolled the Metro station as school dismissed. CID officers kept the area under observation but the youths were sufficiently astute to accommodate the increased supervision of the area and the problem contin-

There was no evidence that this threat to (principally white) pupils was racially motivated. The affair adopted a an unidentified and unseen pupil immediately following racial dimension when an Asian pupil resisted an attempted theft. He did not report this to teachers but summoned support from older Asian youths. They ar-rived in numbers at the Metro station at the end of school one Friday and an ugly scene

ued.

see that pupils were safe. On pen in every school with the succeeding Friday there was a racial attack on Asian black pupils. Young people bring to school attitudes pupils playing football on the school field by white youths learned from family and friends. Schools can make a

who scaled a remote part of difference; but it is naive to the school fence. The origin of believe that education alone can resolve these problems, and offensive to imply that this attack was undoubtedly the incident at the Metro station.

this school is so lacking in I have never refused to see confidence that it is unable to "black leaders". I am unaccept that such behaviour happens. The evidence of our sware of any attempt by "black leaders" to bring "black leaders" to bring openness with parents about racial issues to the attention difficult issues such as drugs of the school and the points prior to the Metro station in-cident. The Gauri Vedhara story was first brought to my to my a local news-the school is responsible for the criminal behaviour of youths tually saw Gauri and her mother, Gauri told me she

robbing pupils at the Metro station by concentrating on its A-level pupils is absurd. Keith Nancekievill. had had one incident in which a racist insult had been Headteacher

Gosforth High School hurled at her in a corridor by Newcastle upon Tyne NE3 2JH.

the Metro station incident. Please include a full postal Gosforth High staff have been address, even on e-mailed assiduous in their support for letters, and a telephone number Gauri and her return to We may edit letters; shorter school. However, extensive enquiries have failed to find ones are more likely to appear. We regret we cannot

any evidence to support the acknow ledge those not used.

A breathless hush in the Close

Bishops are right to move to more modest accommodation

been forced to "downsize": the Civil ernment for not doing more to help the Service has been cut back sharply: army chiefs have had to trim their lifestyles. It is hardly surprising that the Church Commissioners - whose speculative investments lost £800 million at book value in the early 1990s should start to question whether bishops should continue to live in palatial surroundings. The first to have to call in Pickfords is the Bishop of Portsmouth whose instruction to move out of his £1 million mansion was triggered by a novel form of Thatcherism - the prohibitive cost of renovating one of Britain's largest thatched houses. As part of an economy drive by the Commissioners he will have to conform more closely to the new standards that a house should have six bedrooms, a dining room for 12, a meeting room for 30 and limited grounds.

It is absolutely right that bishops,

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CORPORATIONS the world over have | many of whom have criticised the Govurban poor, should practise more closely what they preach. The sadness is that it is economic necessity rather than moral leadership that has been the spur. But this shouldn't be a signal for wholesale eviction. In cases where bishops live within the precincts of their cathedrals their homes may be part of a communal heritage enjoyed by a wider community. To force them to move to large houses - by definition likely to be in posh middle class areas - could widen the social gap between bishop and flock making the bishop even remoter than now. It would be better to improve public access and explore revenue raising schemes than to sell off historic sites. But these are exceptions. In general, the Church must move with the times. Europe has bicycling monarchs: we will just have to learn to live with bishops without palaces.

Voice of truth **Greatly exaggerated rumours** "HE recent case of the doc the "deceased" person tor certifying a death snoring. Serious cases of narcolepsy when in fact the patient was still alive raises a serious question (Thwarting the grim are very rare and so, it seems are the chances of a general reaper, January 7). Are docpractitioner checking a per son with no obvious pulse. tors sufficiently well trained but who is still alive. It is time in declaring a person dead. particularly where a history to investigate this matter, of nervous disease is conwhich must concern many. E Wagland. cerned? This matter greatly 19 Carleton Road, concerns me. I suffer seriously from nar-London N7 0QZ. colepsy and, at the age of 70, opinionated. HE funeral manager of Cobbold's undertakers demise is possible in the near future and I don't fancy being Roger Hyam. 13 Springvalley Terrace, Edinburgh EH10 4QB. burnt alive, I know what I am stated of Daphne Banks "We've never had anything talking about, having had the disease all my life, and conlike this happen before." How siderable experience at the does he know? Mary-Rose Benton. hands of the neurological department of King's College 48 Windermere Way. Worcs DY13 8QJ Hospital. A circumstance could arise where I became temporarily China syndrome paralysed and, to make the case more interesting, I SNT it a bit iffy us lecturing med is the Messenger of would have no pulse: I can Allah." Not a Kamikaze in the Chinese about tying remember two instances bables to beds when we chain where this happened to other sight. pregnant women to them? people. In one, the "deceased" Inayat Bunglawala. Bruce Robinson. The Young Muslims UK, woke on a slab in a mortu-Com Farm, Dorstone, ary and, in the other, an Courtland Avenue. undertaker's assistant heard | Hereford HR36AD. liford, Essex 1G1. 37

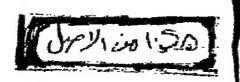
A Country Diary MAX Nottingham's claim (Letters, January 10) to have appeared on 311 radio programmes in 1995 confirms my fears about phone-ins. Broadcasters claim they are a wonderful opportunity for people to have their say when, in fact, they are just another opportunity to save some money. Phone-ins are clearly not representing the public, just the vocal and

/OUR caption to the picture of Chechen rebel leader Salman Raduvev (Foreign news, January 10) states that his headband "bears the unambiguous motto: 'Kamikaze fighter". Actually it says (in Arabic): "There is no god except Allah and Moham-

early afternoon on Christmas Eve the presents had been bought, the cupboards were full and there were no more preparations that we could possibly make. Time, then, to have become rarer as openwalk away from crowded shops, out across the deserted fields that surround this small town at the foot of Weardale. A thin covering of wet show had fallen but not frozen, sticking to every twig and blade of grass and whit-ening the hills to the north and east. At first the fields eemed almost lifeless, with just a few redwing feeding on hawthorn berries and a covey of partridges sitting half buried in the snow. Then we spotted a small group of three fast-flying birds, almost too high to identify with the naked eye but whose rapid wing beats and flight pattern of climbs and dives was unmistakable. We watched the mistavante the binoculars as snipe through binoculars as they descended steeply into a the worms from their probing

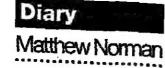
CROOK, CO DURHAM: By | birds that were poking their long beaks through the slushy snow into muddy hollows. I have watched snipe here occasionally over many years, but over the last decade they cast mining has gradually transformed the landscape. One by one, the unimproved, poorly-drained pastures have been stripped, mined and then restored and drained, removing the rushy, perma-nently wet hollows and temporary ponds that were once perfect snipe feeding grounds. In the early years after restoration the worm population, that must be an important food source for these waders, is almost non-existent. This party, the largest I had seen here for many years, had congregated on ground that had escaped earth-movers and draglines. We returned to look for them on Christmas Day, but by then the freeze had set pasture two fields away, join- beaks, and they had moved on

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AM sad to learn from the Daily Telegraph that Lord Colyton has died once again at the age of 94. The Telegraph thought it was all over for the former Colonial Affairs Minister on December 28, and ran the first obituary, but an apology later revealed that it wasn't over. It is now, though, and the second obit-uary appeared yesterday. Intriguingly, in the 13 days between the two obits, Lord Colyton's reputation in print has markedly im-proved. Obituary One began by dwelling on how, in 1954, his outsorken how, in 1954, his outspoken pronounce-ment, apparently ruling out independence for Cyprus, "sparked off fierce riots in the island, and enflamed passions that continued to Simmer ... "However, the Colyton of Obitnary Two "successfully deployed his affability and charm to stave off a number of damaging confrontations". And where, in late December. Lord Colyton had been "suddenly dropped" by Anthony Eden in 1955, in early January he had refused important posts be-cause "his political ambitions were satisfied", From a jingoistic bungler to a masterly statesman in a fortnight . . . it's a miracle. To ensure your own flattering Daily Telegraph obitu-ary, please follow this

simple three-point plan: 1) Fake your own death, Reggie Perrin-style; 2) Com-plain bitterly when the first piece appears; 3) Die. **CARTOON** drawing

of a grinning little boy, one of several characters created to cheer up the wards of a children's unit in Dundee's Ninewells Hospital, has been censored after an unnamed visitor to the ward complained that his bare bottom might be dangerous. Staff have now felt-tipped a pair of shorts over his buttocks.

T is his new diet that occupies my friend Terry Major-Ball when I call. Terry was taken ill before Christmas with high blood sugar, and has been advised to drop two stone in weight. In truth, he sounds a little glum. "It's a very strict diet, and it's not easy for me. When I get agitated. I'm a terrible nibbler. Now I can only nibble on carrots. Still, I'm getting used to it." The doctors have even suggested he start going to a gym. "I'm not a great one for that, though. The thought of me prancing around in a leotard . . . No, I think I'll leave all that gym

Disease which is crippling our polics

Commentary have more precise objections They worry about the kind of women who have sometimes been attracted into the lists. ********************** HE offence many Labour people take against women-only

been attracted into the lists. These are, appalling to say. "political" women, activists as well as feminists, very pos-sibly leftles, and rather less likely than a superannuated coal miner to perform as reli-able lobby fodder. If there is a distinguishing characteristic of Labour women politicians it is that few of them — hav-ing faced a long strugele for short-lists of nomineer short-lists of nominees for parliamentary seats has almost nothing to do with the law. Would that such scrupu-lous regard did possess the people's party! On the con-trary, any passing concern that the rule breaks the law is overshadowed by delight at the certainty that it will now ing faced a long struggle for recognition — will feel it their prime duty to feed themselves without demur to the

the certainty that it will now be abandoned. The law turns party whips. The second undertow is semi-naked prejudice. Natu-rally, this can never be admitout to be mostly a pretext, Serving murkier passions. The first of these is politics. When the women-only rule was hustled through the 1993 ted, even in the Tory Party. But single-sex short-listing was seen as the most direct way for Labour to contest a party conference, created as the currency that purchased the MSF union's decisive supsystematic bias, which is only slightly more visible among Conservative than Labour port for the then cause célébre of party democracy, one mem-ber/one vote, elements of the functionaries, against letting women into politics at all. Because such prejudice-in-action has in some fields be-come vulnerable to legal high command were worried. They thought it would not be popular, and under the Blair regime this concern has inchallenge, its practitioners tensified. The rule epitomised have learned how to make it all that the Daily Mail says Middle England will not toler- But it inhabits the heart of

ate, foreshadowing a mon-strous regiment of feminists entering the Commons on a cloud of political correctness. It is not for this that stake-holder democracy was born. Some of Mr Blair's people have more precise objections. so it's unlikely that

so it's unlikely that Labourfontest the judg-ment. I do so, it will be to save, rather than in the exion, still less the hope, finning. Though Tessaell, the shadow spoke in, speaks up for the pie, the leadership, along Roy Hattersley, is happle the rule termi-nated in that case, what is it red to do about the mospling and indefensi-ble disease in politics? Te is certainly a blun-derla blatant affront to the lity of rights. A polit-icaly may be a private

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based discrimination plane purpose of curbing gbased discrimination iployment, and the pr rule explicitly cuts ut of the political action other reason than be they are men. It ses an inequity of soci y introducing an ineq-of law which the lawers never intended. It dn't have lasted long. Mr Blair was committed

next election. All the same, I regret that it was challenged so soon. The objectors were within their rights, but the gains from a brief, one-off spell of positive discrimination, pushing into Parliament perhaps 50 women who would otherwise have the odds stacked against them, would be great. These odds are massive, and massively unfair. Of 651 MPs elected in 1992, only 60

to abandoning it after the

reason there is a vacancy were women. This is the fruit of a social pattern nourished satisfies the equal rights of men and women by requiring for generations in all parties, which its present inheritors that some of each are on the sbort list. The SDP constitution, of still have the greatest reluc tance to re-examine. The fact that gender-bias has become the vice that seldom declares its name does nothing to undermine its strength. Prej-udice has simply retreated into the closet deliberations of selection committees antique memory, wrote in that rule with good effect and no legal challenge. It seems to me that woman, as by far the largest suppressed and dimin-ished category of citizens, have a unique claim on such a legal entitlement being of selection committees, whether at ward level in the

What the Leeds industrial tribunal decreed comes as a mighty relief to male chauvinists Labour Party or in the truly monstrous regiment of defer-

ential sexists who run the Tory Party up and down the country. As a result, with a minority of brave exceptions, women as a class are still deterred from attempting to get into politics. Of the many jubilant comments made on Tuesday's judgment, none better reveals the bad faith of many who pretend to oppose discrimina-tion than the coarse injunction to women to "win on

politicians, Labour's motive merit and in an open con-test". Being excluded from the contest, they cannot put for reform was good, and it needs re-affirming by more than weasel words.

present disease needs to be burned into the conscience of

men. It is as wasteful as it is unjust. It feeds off secret vices

and enfeebles the body poli-tic. It leaves the business of

government in the hands of



George Monbiot written into party law. But first the iniquity of the

HE Newbury protester faced an almost impossi-ble situation. They knew that 400 security guards were due to move on to the route of, the bypass on Tuesday, yet only 30 people were on hand to stop them. Reinforcements were coming from other parts of the country but wouldn't arrive in time.

men, with results that hardly make an overwhelming case for those who scornfully up-hold political incorrectness. Some extraordinarily limited Their response contained something of the blazing ef-frontery with which Orde Wingate's handful of men cap-tured 15,000 Italians in Abysand dozy male incompetents festoon the green leather benches of the Commons and they are protected against an entire group, who are de-terred or excluded from be-coming politicians. sinia. Having found the farm 10 miles away where the guards had been secretly bil-leted, they turned up just after This is a disgrace on all party managers. It has no justhe company's transport ar-rived and straddled the lane with their scaffolding tripods. tification in any language

Labour may have been thwarted in going beyond what the law allows. But, when everybody's talking about the collapse of faith in alticities. I show in matter If one leg of a tripod were moved, the occupant would fall to his death. They used their only effective weapon their vulnerability --- to devastating effect. Whatever one makes of the

ethics of non-violent direct action, it would be hard not to admire such tactics. Creative genius seems to be a property of the movement, whose stratbit the incomment, whose strat-egy has frequently left its stronger opponents splutter-ing. Without such resourceful-ness, it could neither progress politically nor maintain its commitment to non-violence. As evidenced with tedious reg-ularity at Socialist Workers' Party and Class War gathermove towards increasing public spending. She has Tony Blair in her sights, and possi-bly Kenneth Clarke in her ings, violence fills the gap when creativity fails. When mind. In a moment of candour she might whisper "mea culpa" and confess that both activists cannot channel their frustrations into invention, the urge to throw paving stones can become irresistible. Like increasing numbers of young people, many of the pro-testers feel that mainstream public spending and taxation went up even during the eight-ies. Now there is growing realisation that overall public spending, particularly on wel-fare, is edging dangerously up-wards. She must encourage politics have left them in the cold. They see the concerns of Westminster as wholly apart her admirers on the Tory right to seek new policies and not to hanker for the past. from their own, and believe that none of the political parties either understands or cares for the fate of those who have been gradually excluded from work, benefits, represen-

ests often seems wider than those of our representatives. People of broken families, bro-ken communities, a broken society are, falteringly, idiosyncratically, beginning to make sense of the world once more, to put it back together in their heads. The issues championed by these protest-ers have steadily migrated from the fringes of other people's concern towards the centre. Four years ago, when the first protesters arrived on Twyford Down, few people had paused to think twice about the roads programme. Within two years it had reached the front page of every national tation and physical space. Young people and politics mix

whether it wins or

Swing of the handbag

What excitement for the media pundits and what goom for the electoral tacticians of No 10. Whatever she does or says is diagnosed by commentators Har protestation of innocence and unconditional support for John Major will be disregarded.

Margaret Thatcher is certainly no innocent. She must have realised the flurry that her Keith Joseph Memorial Lecture tonight will create at a time when most Tories yearn for cahn. Even so. I do not believe her intervention is

re-emerges to ht to give a majo speech which intended to kp the Tories on the ht path. John Fen assesses the

significancewhat she will say



COMMENT AND ANALYSIS 9 their merit to the test. That is the case — the atavistic, stub-born grunt of observable fact - women are still up against us the Earth, which a similarly crude, though more open, response had the most instructive chance of defeating. In place of this attempt, something else can be done. we'll take it Without delay, Labour should at least ensure that every new selection process — le in every seat where for any



cargo cults, conspiracy theories, tales of manifestations and alien abductions crackle around the camp fires. Politi-cal awakening and half-baked cal awakening and nai-oaken religious syncretism often seem to be inseparable — last year a Hopi Indian woman was trying to discourage activ-ists from bastardising her people's rituals. While most of society is affilicted with an ex-cess of discrimination the peop cess of discrimination, the pro test camps seem to suffer from too little. But out of this mess of wish-

ful thinking and credulity is emerging not, as one might have expected, an acute form of moral relativism infecting. so many young people in Brit ain, but a system of thought which, as it sheds its excesses, is gradually accreting into a new and workable politics. For many people ill-served by this government, the protesters' message is beginning to make more sense than the bulleting from Walworth Road.

The movement has frequently been described as a flowering of single-issue poli-tics, but only by those who have had little contact with its participants. Among those

swaying in the tree tops at Newbury, discussions range from transport policy to the detention of immigrants, through alternative currencies, press ownership, animal welfare, structural adjustment in the Third World, land reform, air pollution, housing policy and the judiciary. Roadbuilding is top of today's list, but when that battle is over, many activists will move on to something quite different. Indeed, their range of inter-

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ana." Terry paused for thought. "T ve nothing against it, though. If you ever interview the Green Goddess, do give her my regards. She seems a very nice lady."

EANWHILE, just when everything seemed to be going smoothly for Terry's little

brother, the Prime Minister has made a rare mistake. "While you were there." he told Mr Tony Blair on Tuesday, regarding the trip to Japan, 'you might perhaps have been better occupied if you had travelled on the pri-vatised Japanese railway, which you and your colleagues oppose." Oh dear. As Labour's Brian Wilson reluctantly points out, 80 per cent of Japan's railway network remains in public ownership; the Japanese have rejected splitting up ownership of trains and track; and the country's super-quick bullet trains were funded by the public sector. Sound-bite politics are all very fine, of course, but we must always, always check our facts.

My report last week about the Madonna-fix-AM pleased to note that ated Robert Hoskins, whose winsome catchphrase is "It's good to stalk", has also caught the imaginations of others. Yesterday, it turned up in both a Sun leader and a column in the Daily Mir-ror. Taking into account its mysterions appearance in last Thursday's Indepen-dent, the total now stands at four.

AST Anglians keener to own Jonathan Dimbleby's biogra-phy of Prince Charles than they are to pay the cover price of £20 need worry no more. One Norfolk retailer is hanny to sell the hook oil is bappy to sell the book on special offer, at a bargain £9.99. It is the estate shop at Sandringham.



she will be making a wholly natural contribution to the Tory debate. She will remind Conserva

tives that they now have the prospect of some political recovery. Current poli ratings are perverse. Barely a soul at Westminster believes Labour's mammoth lead is other than an illusion. As the months slide by, the immi-nence of the general election will mean that the politics of "choice" will replace those of "broitest". "protest". The Budget has been a

reasonable success and Ken-neth Clarke must now hope he can hold the line with no further changes in taxation or public spending. The signs are for a modest revival in consumer spending and an im-provement in political for-tumes. Once Tory poll ratings improve — even modestly — the acrimony and neurosis at Westminster will abate. I wel-come Margaret Thatcher's clear message tonight that there should be an early turn The content of the Thatcher speech is not as significant as

its style and circumstance. The speech was planned

months ago and could not have been retimed without even more speculation than was caused by its delivery. There must be some limit to the influence of Emma Nicholson. The Thatcher press office was meticulous in securing advance notice for its presen tation and must have suc-ceeded beyond expectations — but that is a tribute to current Tory doctrinal difficulties. It is natural that Margaret

Thatcher should have been in-vited to make a memorial speech to her late colleague and mentor, Keith Joseph, and that she should have accepted. Given the febrile state of Conservative affairs, there is an irony in the fact that a couple

of Cabinet ners will at-tend. Peter Lind Michael Portillo mayhere, but I would idealive found a front-row e chair for Geoffrey Ho good Tory who much ed Keith Jo seph's sociatides. Alas, I waan't cons I do not the speech itself partic challenging. Margaret her has now establishest post-prime minister ribe wants her party to pain a broadly rightwing by which she thinks pro from the early years of hm government.

and an ability to convince the public that she knew what she wanted and would not be pushed around by union lead-ers or foreign potentates. To many Tories this recol-lection of Margaret Thatcher is a nottaking remover and

is a nostalgic memory, and one that has faded from practi-cal politics. The challenge for Thatcher is how the Conservatives can renew their policies, keeping them rightwing, con-temporary, and not marely an echo of the eighties. Tonight's speech, in dealing with economic and social af-

fairs, again warns against the

Why the lad's not for returning again

Martin Kettle argues that atcherism destroyed the Conservative Party and now it must finally bury her

meaning the Thatcherite M ARGARET Thatcher's interven-tions in Conserva-tive politics bring diminisb-ing returns. Every year at party conference the stand-ing continue and a little incomplete Inarcherice legacy the heart of the party sent predica-ment a its uncertainty about kind of organi-sation wwishes to be. They is trying to de-cide wer Thatcherism has a to. Her 15-year reignight it an unpreceing ovation gets a little shorter and the acclaim a touch more effortful. Yet she remains the pivotal figreignight it an unprece denteriod of power and ure of contemporary Tory denie bit of power and appeto define a new po-liticsemony to which all opolitical parties bad commodate. But the e dimmed. When politics. She will never return as leader, but to dismiss her as burned-out is completely wrong. As Andrew Gamble writes in she rom office, the parthe current New Left ty'smes revived rather Review, the battle over the

than collapsed. Yet in the last three years the Tories have plummeted to fresh depths of unpopularity which Thatcher never tenched own in the final touched, even in the final months before her overthrow. The old Toryism of Macmillan and Beath is unrescuable. The question which the party now faces , is whether Thatcher's lasting legacy provides what Gamble calls "the basis for an alternative tradition". Many in the party - and probably most outside observers too - believe that

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Thatcherism destroyed the Conservative Party. Thatcent support in this morn-ing's ICM opinion poll. But an increasingly influ-ential segment of the party believes the opposite. They think the purpletion did cherism's triple obsession with possessive individual-ism, anti-Europeanism, and the destruction of iradi-tional institutions gener-ated a heady decade of popu-lar enthusiasm. Yet in the think the revolution did not go far enough. They sense the absence of a coherent anti-Thatcherite alternaend, these critics believe, it tive. Many of the next genundermined Conservatism from inside. The party was purged to destruction by eration of Tory MPs-the people who will fill the places left by the defectors and the retirers — long to permanent revolution. The landmarks of traditional reconnect with the Toryism were obliterated. Thatcher years. So when the Hence the party's current old leader speaks, they are predicament - only 26 per powerless to resist.

ing to greater dependence, re-cord levels of divorce and illegitimacy are destroying family structure, and the con-cept of the lifetime job has

practically disappeared. The political right has the responsibility of providing a new framework of welfare costs and benefits. It is today's radical social task in politics and merits the attention of Margaret Thatcher, the out-standing radical Tory prime minister of this century. She will add little tonight to

what she has said before about the EU. There is little need. She has played her part mov-ing the Government to a con-siderably more pragmatic European position. Just con-sider the position of John Major, relative to those of Ed-ward Bleath and Margaret Thatcher, to realise how the Conservatives have adjusted their attitudes since Maastricht. No proper judgment can be made until after a decision about the manifesto ob-servations on the UK and a single currency, and also a referendum. Tonight's speech leads me to think that if Blair promised a referendum, it would be more decisive than any plea from Tory

any plea from Tory Eurosceptics. Like most Tory MPs, I learned of the impending speech with excitement and nervousness. I should have known bettar. The political raftars are still intact, the ex-perience has led me to hope that there will be another oc-casion — berhaps she will casion — perhaps she will speak in Shropshire. Then I hope we can proceed beyond word-bites about public spending and taxation and warn the nation about our failing wel-fare services, as Churchill warned us about our defences 60 years ago.

John Biffen is Conservative MP for Shropshire North

tended to keep away from each other. The poll tax knocked many off the electoral register; bafflement and cynicism have kept them away. But the direct activists seem slowly to be leading them-selves out of the wilderness of disenfranchisement. By working things out for themselves they have begun to engage stand by while the presumptu-ous snatch it from them. If the they find acceptable — their own. Theirs is a world apart from the town hall and the constituency association, so they have been able to step dence to snatch it back.

well, but in Britain they have

Newbury, there are plenty of political lessons to be learned from the direct-action movement. It has figured out how to command attention and alter the terms of a political debate. Most importantly, it has redis-covered something the rest of us seem to have forgotten. It has learned that the meek do not inherit the Earth, but



Public launch meeting of the campaign to stop the deportation of Saudi Opposition leader Prof. Muhammed Al Massari.

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Lord Colyton

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Hopkinson, who has

died aged 94, repeat

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give up the imperial delusion.

This refusal was most publicly demonstrated in July 1954 when he said, in effect, that

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his friend Sir Anthony Eden. He backed Eden's deluded in-

vasion of Egypt the next year,

This was because he saw de-

fence of the Empire as a sacred

obligation. In the Lords, in 1962, he urged British forces be retained in Kenya for five years more, to defend white

settlers. Next year he led the stay-away from Kenya's Inde-

London, allegedly because of the ban on rightwing Tory MP

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Much worse came with his fiery defence of Rhodesia's in-

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Mike Synar

A liberal proud of his enemies

IKE Synar, a liberal Democrat who was lected to Congress eight times by a conservative and largely rural district of Oklahoma, has died of brain cancer aged 45. By far the most liberal of

a definite point in British law school, in 1978. He defeated a well-entrenched in-cumbent who had just been divorced and was reported to own a heart-shaped water bed. Synar beld the seat until 1994, when he was targeted by an unusual alliance of conser-

> "If you can judge a man by the enemies he makes. I'm pretty proud of mine," Synar used to say, ticking off on his fingers the list of his sworn "If you don't like fighting fires, don't be a fireman. And if you don't like casting

British policy develops in the hostile environment of Congressman. Lord Colyton, Henry Lennox swore , revenge. He was an d'Aubigny Hopkinson, diplomat and politician, born January 3,

any Democratic Congressman in the South, and one of the most liberal in his party, he sat for the region of Oklasumption that Cyprus could homa around the town of never become an independent Muskogee, inspiration of the Muskogee, inspiration of the patriotic, anti-hippy and pro-Vietnam war song of the 1960s I'm An Okie From Muskogee. He first won election to Congress, almost fresh from

thinking Hitherto it had been taken for granted that Commonwealth status was appro priate for only large nations: the independence of small and even marginal territories was not envisaged. The formula of confederating them was explored without success vative groups.

in Africa and the West Indies until realisation dawned that there was a possibility of de facto independence for even His political fortunes remain a typical example of the way in which thinking on

tough votes, don't be a He was for gun control, and the National Rifle Association

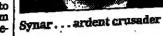
early campaigner against clg arette advertising and sales to nagers, and the tobacco lobby hated him. Even though he came from a promine ranching family in Oklahome, Synar constantly voted

and campaigned to increase the ridiculously low grazing fees paid for the use of federal lands, so the ranching lobby fought him tooth and nail.

He was also a passionate environmentalist in an oilproducing state, a powerful advocate for campaign finance reform, and rude about the Christian Coalition. It was more Old Testament than Christian, he used to say, and more exclusionary than coalition.

The result was one of the glophilia with the word most extraordinarily negative campaigns against a single Congressman in memory, summed up by the poster campaign which plastered billboards in Synar's constituency in 1994 with four Stalin. Hitler. Castro. Synar." That was it. No explanation. Just the most vicious of smears. When it appeared, Synar was almost grateful, sure that the voters would see hrough It.

In a straightforward fight against a Republican, he might have been proved right. uary 9, 1995



But he lost the Democratic primary to a retired local schoolteacher, campaigning from a small van as the underdog. Synan van as his underdog. Synar lost the pri-mary, the schoolteacher lost the election to a Republican, and the National Rifle Association was able to continue its long tradition of intimidating Congressmen with the dis play of Mike Synar's scalp as an awful warning of the gun

lobby's power He did not give up political life. President Clinton ap-pointed him to the Bankruptcy Review Commission, and he was about to take up a new job as a kind of global dor for the international telecommunications union when the brain cancer was diagnosed last July. He also became chairman of the Campaign for America Project a non-profit organisation pledged to pressing for finance reform.

His traditional Oklahoma cian was named Outstanding Family of the Year in the US in 1971 by the All-American Family Institute, and he recalled his year at the Uni-versity of Edinburgh on a post-graduate scholarship studying Scottish history and law as "my first taste of the exotic". He was so devoted to Scotland that he would correct any reference to his An

Britophilia". A popular man, with a tasta for garish ties, he had a rich same of humour. When asked by Bill Clinton during the 1992 campaign to play the part of Ross Perot in the practice presidential debates, be came in wearing gigantic false ears and speaking in falsetto.

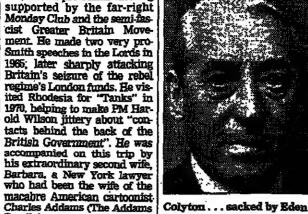
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Michael Lynn Synar, politician, born October 17, 1950; died Jan-

cist Greater Britain Movement. He made two very pro-Smith speeches in the Lords in 1965; later sharply attacking Britain's seizure of the rebel regime's London funds. He visited Rhodesia for "Tanks" in 1970, helping to make PM Harold Wilson jittery about "contacts behind the back of the British Government". He was accompanied on this trip by his extraordinary second wife, Barbara, a New York lawyer who had been the wife of the macabre American cartoonist Charles Addams (The Addams Family Lord Colyton also served on

the governing council of the so-called Foreign Affairs Research Institute along with Lord Chalfont and Lord Clark (former Sir William Clark). At his bankruptcy trial in 1987, the Institute's editor Geoffrey Stewart-Smith, a former Tory MP, disclosed that this far-right publishing outfit had been financed mainly by South Africa. For the last 15 years of his life, Lord Colyton was a tax

exile, initially in Monte Carlo, from which he sent letters to the Daily Telegraph and Times, always on House of Lords stationery. In April 1982 he surfaced to endorse the Anglo-Rhodesian Society, of recapture of the Falklands.



we give up referring to this country as "the UK", which meant we had to sit at the UN between the USA and USSR. Instead we should revert to "GB" as laid down by James L This was the sad end to a career which promised much more and won him plaudits from influential friends like Rab Butler and Oliver Lyttelton, later Lord Chandos, for whom he worked in Cairo and the Colonial Office. Hopkin-

oirs, "had Eton and Foreign Office written all over him, had beautiful manners and faultless clothes."

over to the Free French cause. He went from Hara in Ethiopia but failed to persuade the son. Chandos said in his Mem

Letters

.............................. John Cable writes: In the late sixtles I went to see Hamish Imlach (obituary, January 4) perform at the Queen's Hotel, Forfar, only to discover that all tickets had been sold. Consoling myself with a few pints of heavy in one of the bars, I became aware of a guitar being tuned. Following the sound, I came to a room where Hamish was warming up. I sat down on the floor and he began to sing - and he sang and sang, to me - no-one else was there. It was fantastic. After about an hour, he stopped, rose from his chair, winked at me, barked that laugh of his and went to perform his concert.

Chris Birch writes: When June Fisher (obituary, December 6) contracted tubercolosis 30 years ago and was told that she should abandon teaching and "have a guiverful of children" instead, she returned to her Peckham comprehensive. And she did not take "early retirement" in 1992. Although

Lady with the whip hand

wrote a starring role for Nato queen of the Bombay screen seems hardly less fab dia in Hunterwali (The Lady With the Whip), lous than her roles in films

> were disconcerted however to were disconcertain however to see a woman performing Douglas Fairbanks' acrobatic feats, swinging from chande-liers, fencing experily and taking a bull-whip to villains. The Wadias were obliged to distribute the film them-

pro-Vichy French Governor in Djibouti. He returned with an aircraft which dropped leaflets on Djibouti and neighbouring n, resulting in the French Governor's capitulation. Hopkinson won the CMG. for that. In 1943 he was made Minister Plenipotentiary in Lisbon, and from 194446 was Deputy High Commissioner to

Lisbon, and from 1944-66 was Deputy High Commissioner to liberated Italy. He deserted a promising dip-lomatic career to join the Con-servatives in trying to replace Labour's victorious Attlee Government His first success was at Taunton, which he nar-

In August 1985 he urged that | KCVO, a distinguished herris-**Fearless Nadia**

Henry Lennoz d'Aubigny Hopkinson was the son of Sir Henry Lennox Hopkinson



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EARLESS Nadia's tra- | her in a couple of supporting jectory from infancy in | parts, in 1935 JBH Wadia jectory from infancy in Edwardian Australia

The film was shot cheaply, in siz weeks. Distributors like Miss Frontier Mail, Jun-gle Goddess, Hurricane Hansa or Miss Robinbood. Nadia, who has died aged 68, was born Mary Evans in

Perth, where her father Herbert Evans was serving with the British army. Her mother Margaret was a Greek immigrant. When Mary was three her father was posted to Bomselves. It became the biggest grossing picture in Indian bay, and the family moved to Elephanta Caves Island.

Elephanta Caves Island. With the outbreak of the star of a new genre of stunt irst world war

ton professor. He went on to serve in Stockholm, then Ath-ens, with interim spells in the Foreign Office. The making of Hopkinson's reputation was his posting to Cairo for two years as political adviser to Oliver Lyttelton, the liberal tycoon serving as Churchill's Minister of State in the Middle East. Hopkinson scored the first known success in political warfare, in trying to win French Somaliland

fabrilous collection of spurs. He went on to Trinity College, Cambridge, and entered the Foreign Office in 1924. After

his first posting to Washington

he married his first wife,

Alice, the daughter of a Prince-

Last act to play the impire

as head of Catford County School until last December when she was five years past the normal retirement age. June joined the Communist

Party in 1960, on the day of Harry Pollitt's funeral, long before she met her second husband, Sam Fisher. She was immensely proud of their elder son's work in the Young Communist League and remained a member of the CP until it dissolved in 1991. Her Communist principles perme ated all she did. But she was first and foremost a teacher and a National Union of Teachers member. She gave her life to education and her heart to Catford County.

Another Day

January 11, 1767: Greatest Snow, & Severest Weather I ever remember. Only one Woman at Church, Gemman Kenney, who I asked to Dinner, with Gaffar Scot, Will ing Hindi songs. Turpin, John Seare of Eaton & Sam Pollard, the only poor Men there: Tansley also dined in the Kitchin with them. I told the Clark to give Notice that there would be no service in the Afternoon, it snowing all day in the largest Flakes I ever saw, Journal of The Rev William Cole (The Faber Book of Diaries, 1987)

Evans was sent to France where, along with his two sol dier brothers, he was killed Left alone in Bombay, Marga ret put Mary into a convent as a weekly boarder. The child's Saturday treat was to be taken to the movies, where she thrilled to the adventures cines of the silent serial queens Ruth Roland and Pearl White In 1920 Margaret and Mary moved to the North West Frontier Province, where Mary became an enthusiastic horse rider, emulating the prowess of her screen idols. At 20 she returned to Bom bay to work as a salesgirl and

weaponry she was carrying) raised in the air, and a shrill, challenging cry of "Hey!". She had an inimitable, hands later secretary in the Army and Navy Stores. Worried about her weight, she en-rolled in Madame Astrova's ballet school. Very soon she was recruited to Madame's on-hips swagger. She insisted on doing all her own stunts, which involved daredevil feats of horsemanship, leap-ing off buildings and trees ballet company, and adopted the professional name of Naand swinging on ropes, or any other convenient dangling obdia. The next few years were

spent in circus and variety, developing both her acrobatic Nadia was always seen to be righting wrongs, defending skills and her talent for singthe weak and opposing cor-rupt establishments. Above all she stood for the emanciin 1934 she was introduced to the Wadia brothers of Wapation of women. At the height of India's Independia Movietone. The brothers, who had scandalised their il dence movement, she was in-fluential as the voice of tolerlustrious shipbuilding family by giving up promising careers to go into movies, ance and secularism; in Lootaru Lana (1937), for instance, she battles for Hindu-Muslim unity. By the 1940s the stunt film are intrigued by the novelty of casting this exotic, fair skinned blonde in their action pictures. After trying



Role model . . . Nadia adopts a typical pose in Diamond Queen IGRAPH WADIA MOVIETONE

seemed to be going out of ade she made a further 25 fashion, and Nadia's career films. was seriously threatened when she made the mistake of crying on screen. The public would not support such an ad-

mission of weakness and de-manded that the scene be cut. She had meanwhile left Wadia Movietone to join Homi Wadia, the younger of the brothers, in a new company, Basant Pictures. Homi trium phantly revived both Nadia's career and the popularity of the stunt film with Daughter of Hunterwali, a sequel to her first success. In the next de-

glamind legend. A great hephthe talented young prod-director Riyad Vincia, made a memora-ble the to her with his In 1959, at 51 (her published age was 49), she decided to retire, to devote herself to 1993 mentary Fearless NadiaThe Hunterwall breeding racing thoroughbreds: her best-known horse was Nijinsky, greatest star of Story...d Wadia has also dedica,<u>imself</u> to retriev-ing al-storing Nadia's films, the many are still to be fo the Indian turf. In 1961 she married Homi · Wadia, She made only one more screen appearance, in a 1968 spoof on James Bond films, Khilari. David Eson

As a lively, forthright old lady with an Indian lift to her speech, "Mary Mai" still fas-cinated her grandchildren and their courses with her Mary Wi(Fearless Nadia) actress, January 8, 1908; and their cousins with her | died Jan, 1996

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New input

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But part, admittedly a very small part, of their whingeing can be understood. The complaints are so obviously born out of frustration that you occasionally sympathise with these pitiful people. The feeling of impotence generated by not being able to make a blind bit of difference to what the BBC or ITV or Channel 4 tip down their optical sewers must be so overwhelming that they put pen to paper in the vain hope that what they say will Make A Difference.

They are mistaken. The Web is different. Like Shopped New : Times

Birthdays

BELL, Protessor R.P. Gionneis Bell, FRS, died pescettulty on 2th January 1996 at the Kingston Nursing Home, Leeds, aped Bi years. Husband of Margery, latiner of Mi-chael, Honorary Felicity of Belliot College. Professor, Sitriing University 1987-75. Funeral at Lawnswood Crematonium, Leeds, an Monday 22nd January at 12 moon. No Stowers, Picase, Comstons, If desired, to Friends of the Lake District, No.3, Yard T, Hiddhard, Kanddr (Jombrie Graham Allen, Labour MP, 43; The Rt Rev John Baker, former Bishop of Salisbury, 68; Sir Alan Bowness, direc-No.3, Yard 77, Hig A9 4ED. Enguine ni. 0713-2498849.

Death Notices

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rugby player, 36; Sir Alastair Morton, UK chairman, Euro-REFFE, Tenothy, 1925-1994, Publisher, ng husband and lather remembered Lorent affection

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ment minister, 76; Jim Perris, governor, Wormwood Scrubs, 54; Bryan Robson, LEY. Densk and Elve former England football cap tain, 39; Air Chief Marshal

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MY FRIEND Diane likes to go unshopping. She goes from store to store, divesting in one day the purchases and pangs of guilt accumulated over months. What is great about buying, she says, is also great about returning, you experience the emotional rush of handing over your charge card and you end up with a nice shopping bag. Unshop-ping provides something else Unshopping rewards you with a credit so that you can shop some more. I know people who have returned evening purses after the party, wallets worn from wear and maternity clothes after the baby was

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born. Mia Farrow even returned a child. Some people who return cannot face the ambivalence of owning. Some people love business transac-tions: they watch for sales so that they can take back and rebuy the item. Other returners simply cannot make up their minds. They buy an article of clothing in several colours and sizes, bop ing to make a decision at home with the help of family and friends. Adroit returners are not fazed when asked the reason for their unhappiness. They

go for the lie: "Didn't fit, wrong colour, husband didn't like," they say, instead of, "Just bought it to please salesperson, never had the money in the first place, existential crisis." The simplest way to avoid returning is to shop defensively. Be aware that the

alesperson's goal is to make you spend money. He will tell you that lavender-puce-canteloupe is your colour, that sotight-you-cannot-breathe is the look or that you can wear brocade during the day. You must believe nothing he says.

You must especially not be-lieve these words: "Believe me -- I would tell you if it didn't look good." I am not a returner. I did not consider it a watershed in retailing history when in 1991 Loehmann's ended their No Refunds, No Exchanges pol-icy. Please understand that I am not, therefore, a perfect shopper. Once I was talked into buying a Western-style fringe jacket, I am hopelessly unable to hold on to a receipt, and I dislike shopping so much that I would rather stash my unwanted merchan dise in a drawer and try to forget than go back to the store. Besides, I buy things I do not need, so whether they turn out to be wrong is trelevant. Patricia Marx cashes in on a

trend for the New York Times magazine

Beautiful folk

KNEW I'd get into the top 10. I think I'm just the kind of girl they'd want. I'm young, beautiful and I've got loads of energy. Anyone who has ever met me would understand why

Martini thought I'd be good. It's not just my looks, it's my personality, too. Everyone eems to like me, even people I don't know. I'm always being approached by men and women. They ask me how I keep so slim and tell me what beautiful eyes I've got. I'm quite outgoing with clothes so I do draw attention to myself. I love anything glamorous — leather, PVC or anything shiny. I'm very happy with my life and I feel blessed that I've got good looks. I used to feel embarrassed when people commented on my looks, especially when I was with my friends. Now I love it. Ida Kuyé, 26, unemployed.

I KNOW I'm good-looking because women react to me, and I have never had to make an effort with them. Wherever I am -- whether I'm working or in a club — they will come

up to me and chat me up. When I was a waiter, women would come to the restaurant just to see the and wouldn't eat anything at all. I think being Italian helps. Women love my accent and I take more of an interest in fashion

some model agencies. Al-though most of them said I'm too short one of them has taken me on. Massimiliano Vitulano, 25, air steward. ISTARTED modelling when was 15 because so many people told me how beautiful I was. I come from Albania and I did fashion shows in Milan for an Albanian desiener. Everywhere I've ever lived people have looked at me in the street; heads turn wherever I walk. It has never bothered me, it just makes me feel good. Often people ask me whether they've seen me on the cover of a magazine.

File interviews the final 10 en-

trants who responded to the

than most English men. A

couple of photographers ap-

proached me at the casting and gave me the numbers of

Most people say I have great legs and a lovely smile, but what makes me stand out is my different looks. I'm not simply pretty — there is something striking and original about my face. Lulieta Venturi, 27, economist.

tor, Henry Moore Foundation, 68; Kathleen Byron, actress, 73; Anna Calder-Marshall, actress, 49; David Cecil, race-

Cecil, racehorse trainer, both 53; Jean Chrétien QC, prime minister of Canada, 62; Jason Connery, actor, 33; Ben Crenshaw, golfer, 44; Neville Duke, test pilot, 74; Ann Fir-bank, actress, 62; Barry

Flanagan, sculptor, 55; Phyl-lis Logan, actress, 40; Mick MacManus, wrestler, 69; Ga-

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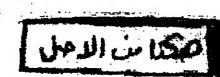
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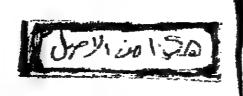
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The battle for Forte Whitbread hedges bet

Lisa Buckingham and Ian King

ITBREAD, the brewing and retail giant, is preparing to jump horses and attempt to secure a deal for part of the Forte empire with hostile bidder Granada, it emerged yesterday. Whitbread — whose opera-

tions include Boddingtons beer, the Beefeater restau-and Welcome Break motorway service businesses for \$1.05 billion if the hotels company survives Granada's £3.8 billion assault But it is understood that Whitbread has held talks with Granada to buy the motorway services business if Forte

fails to secure its independence. Sources close to the negotiations say a price has yet to be discussed. Peter Jarvis, chief execu-tive of Whitbread, made it clear shortly after Christmas, when the Forte deal was an-nounced, that his interest had been sparked by the possibility that the 26 Welcome Break

tioning Forte's promise to in-crease annual dividends by 20 sites would be sold. Whitbread intends to retain per cent for the next three Whitbread intends to retain years. It said that for Forte to to shareholders, while the Welcome Break brand but meet its pledge, and maintain nada has also said it will add on the same site a num- the same level of dividend the stake if it wins Forte.

ber of sub-brands, such as its j cover as Granada, the comown Pizza Hut or TGI Fri- | pany would need to increase days, to improve earnings,

Granada has always oc-cepted that if it will have to sell the motorway service stations to satisfy the monop-olicer withouting of motoolies authorities. A spokes man for Whitbread yesterday declined to comment on whether the group had held strip the company down.

negotiations with Granada. Meanwhile, Forte poured scorn on Granada's claim, ers bet on a Granada victory Forte was also up strongly, closing 10p higher at 361p, with nearly 50 million shares made on Tuesday, that it would be able to raise £2.1 billion from selling Forte as-sets, insisting that Granada would merely be "forced changing hands.

raid, dealers said there was gramme - which it claimed no evidence to suggest this, although ABN Amro Hoare Govett, one of Granada's underwriters, were buying Forte shares yesterday.

London's hotel values by plac-ing £1 billion of London share price means its cash-Sir Rocco Forte, chairman and chief executive; added: and-paper offer now values and chief executive; added: Forte at 376p a share, while "We now see Granada in its the cash alternative values true colours. They have cob-bled together their strategy and rationale in reaction to our defence and it shows their desperation for a deal." the company at 362p a share. Also yesterday, the Savoy Hotel group, in which Forte holds a 68 per cent stake, said it expected full-year profits for 1995 to jump by 165 per cent, to £11.4 million.

Forte is committed to redis tribute its stake in the Savoy to shareholders, while Gra nada has also said it will sel

profits by 147 per cent. Chief executive Gerry Robinson said; "Given Forte's dismal track record in growing profits, shareholders are entitled to ask how sustain-able this promise will prove, especially given its plan to Last night, after a busy day's trading. Granada shares closed up 15p, at 652p, as deal-Despite rumours that Gra-nada had launched a dawn

would be the biggest pre-The increase in Granada's



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Juggling with a

nuclear timebomb

Notebook

cupy some 10 per cent of the domestic market — suggests that a sea change may be tak-ing place in the Japanese economy. Years of sluggish domestic growth have encouraged a culture of greater con-

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suption, reinforced by the overvalued yen. The big three US carmak-ers, once the greatest critics of the Japanese onslaught on the American market, are now forecasting sales of up to 400,000 a year in Japan by the

HE Government's ambi-tion to offload British Enturn of the centruy. The change in the car marergy on the private sector ket is increasingly reflected this June is looking increas-ingly problemetical. The body in the macroeconomic figures. An analysis by Paribas Capital Markets shows that of evidence being provided to the all-party Trade and ndustry Select Committee sugover the past decade the pro-portion of imports to gross dogests that a rush privatisation mestic product has climbed would be irresponsible, the economics of the madhouse, from 7 per cent to 11 per cent and is still rising, as Gatt and For the privatisation to be the problems engendered by the strong yen force open once-closed markets. soundly based would mean the taxpayer taking on aston-

The flow of capital into Japan is also starting to turn. Analysis by the Labour Party of information con-tained in the Budget Red Book shows that nuclear pri-The interest differential which has opened up between Tokyo and other financial vatisation would cost the Ex-chequer at least £650 millions centres means that hot money is moving back to New York, in the first full year after the Frankfurt and elsewhere. This will put downward pres-sure on the yen, which in it-self will speed the capital outsell-off, 1997-98, and almost £1 billion in the three years to

The figures are not dis-puted by the Treasury, except flows. The downside risk is that in so much as they do not show the complete picture in that the profitable parts of the devaluation will be sufficient to lead to huge new trade surpluses down the road. industry have been hived off.

Equally disturbing is the now-public data contained in the Mackerron report, sub-**Gerry's sweat**

MONG the more Aremarkable examples of Gerry Robinson's legendary management skills at ernment is to obtain the £3.5 Granada has been the sharp billion it hopes for by selling shares in British Energy, it will in addition have to improvement in the perfor mance of Sutcliffe Catering the contract-catering arm of relieve the soon-to-be privathe company taken over from tised company of some £3 billion of future liabilities. P&O two years ago.

In the 1995 annual report and accounts Mr Robinson states that profits from Sutcliffe increased by one-third to £41.8 million, partly

Sir Rocco may surrender role to stem defections

sellers". Forte said Granada's pro-

hotels on the market at once.

But Granada hit back, ques

ian King and Lisa Buoking

with Forte recently.

sweeping change. However, it is thought he would back down in the face of growing three years ago. LTT STATE It lollowed the a ment that his father, Lord Forte, was to retire as fulltime chairman, stepping into the newly created job of life president of the com-"There are one or two institutions who are really pany he founded. pushing Rocco on this one. and the more he digs his taxparer extra £1bn Lord Forte, now aged 87, heels in, the more pressure is understood to have stepped aside from day-to-day involvement since Grathey'll apply." Several fund managers nada initiated its bid, but before that he was con-Simon Beavis Industrial Editor sulted regularly by his son and attended board meetings ABOUR yester called on the Govepent to halt its controsial nu-Although the Forte family and its board controls less than 10 per cent of the group's shares. Sir Rocco, his father and sister. Olga Polizzi — another main clear privatisate plans following confirmion that the sell-off will large payers board director - feel no with a £1 billion fover the with a £1 billion fover the next three years. Shadow trade i industry secretary Margt Beckett said official Toury fore-casts revealed it the sale will cost the thequer at least 5640 million the first year after the tremment's compunction about talking about the group as a dynastic fielde Norwich slams Cheaper gas prices at risk poor policies as consumers

his late father Robert to de-THE Maxwell-trial jury due to spend its third ni in an hotel having faile reach verdicts after

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Sprowing in the City last night that Sir One fund manager said:

CLODE.

Rocco Forte, Forte's chair-man and chief executive, is about to split his job in a last-minute attempt to stem defections by institutional shareholders to Granada's

A straw poll of more than said the ideal solution would be for Forte to ap-point a new, high-profile a dozen fund managers. conducted by the Guardian yesterday, found that two-thirds wanted Sir Rocco to executive with internasplit his job immediately,

tional experience. Less popular were sug-gestions that Sir Rocco should stay as chief execu-tive, with Sir Anthony Tenwhile just over half said they had raised the issue Throughout Granada's hostile bid for his company. nani, Forte's deputy chair-man, becoming Bon-execu-Sir Rocco has refused to tive chairman.

Sir Rocco's decision 'to combine the roles of chairsplit the two functions, in-sisting that it was not the right time to make such a man and chief executive

> least 5640 million the first year after the rerundent's decision to bold newer reactors to the vale sector. leaving the ang Magnox stations in statands. The call of as leading City experts a committee face levy costs

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ing up for sale and which will | submit a written response to own the privatised stations, because of a lack of the SPRU report. Mrs Beckett said that Red Book Budget forecasts cominformation.

John Reynolds and David piled last year showed a dis-Gray, utilities analysts with James Capel, also warned the crepancy with forecasts published before the Government decided to split the industry in half and privatised seven advanced gas cooled reactors and Sizewell B in Suffolk. The Red Book figures show commons trade and industry committee that they would need to know more about British Energy's strategy, growth expectations and

afety measures. They were called before that in November 1994 the Treasury was expecting to net £110 million and £450 million MPs after the committee received a report from the Science Policy Research Unit (SPRU) warning that the reac-tors being sold off could have from the nuclear industry in the two years to March 1998. Now, according to forecasts from the last Budget, it is banking on the industry cost-ing it £40 million and a negative value. The report, first revealed in the Guardian last month, said the Govern-£190 million in those two ment would need to load the taxpayer with a further £3 years and a further £160 mil-lion in the following year. billion bill for cleaning up reactors to meet its target of "This shows a wanton dis-regard for the proper hus-bandry of the public finances. City experts a committee fullion bill for cleaning up "This shows a wanton dis-of MPs that ias impossible reactors to meet its target of regard for the proper hus-to place a valon British En-ergy, the hing company British Energy is consider-which the Gernment is lin-ing a request from the MPs to sale." Mrs Beckett said.

Trade deficit hits £1.7bn

power stations which other-wise would have to be borne through higher turnover and by the privatised companies. **Reactors sell-off to cost**

issue. Experts from James Ca-pel have told the select com-mittee that it is not possible

to estimate the market value

of British Energy. The deci-sion not to build new plants

was welcome but not decisive.

The City would need to know more about future strategy,

growth and safety measures.

mittee appears to realise, the public interest demands more

than that. It needs some fully

transparant arithmetic dem-

onstrating plainly that this is

not a privatisation which is going to cost the taxpayer

more over the years ahead than it will raise this summer

However, as the select com-

relating relate to the potential

bill for decommissioning and reprocessing of fuel from

mitted to the select commit

tee, and first reported in the

Guardian last year. This shows that if the Gov-

by "generally improved prof-itability". The select committee was concerned enough about this to send British Energy away with a series of questions This, one supposes, is the sweating of assets which Mr based upon Mackerron.

Robinson plans for Forte, The figures uncovered by Labour, together with the doubts raised by Mackerron, after he has conducted his firesale of assets - including perhaps the motorway ser-vice stations to Whitbread. are not generating anthusi-asm in the Cuty for this share

What pleases the fund man-agers and the City at Granada may not, however, he as good for other stakeholders in the company. Those who know the Sutcliffe business well suggest that the sharply higher profits have been achieved in two areas.

First, by cutting back training budgets, which are seen by some experts as essential for the long-term success of a service business like cater-ing. And secondly trimming the rebates, the large scale buying discounts which contract caterers share with their clients. Finally, as readers of these

pages will know from our own survey showing higher coffee prices at Granada's Heston service station and Forte's Cafe Royal, the consumer pays for the Robinson management technique of maximising prices. This is a

Japan switch

for future tax cuts.

THE sharp rise in the vol-

umes of car imports to short-term strategy if there Japan last year - to oc- ever was one.

Eurotunnel boss divides

the blame for troubles

Teresa Hunter NSURER Norwich Union yesterday criticised banks and building societies for continuing to bombard home-owners with unsuitable endowment policies, as the Hali-fax reported falling house prices in seven out of 12

regions during the final quarter of 1995. Philip Scott, general man-ager of Norwich Union UK Life, took the mortgage lend-ers to task, as the mutual in-surer announced little improvement in returns from its the peace dividend catapulted 25-year endowment policies. house prices up 11.5 per cent He said: "A greater proportion of endowment mortgages are still being sold by banks by the end of 1995. The continued depression in the housing market was and building societies than is proper and it is right that guestions should be asked about why this is happening."

about why this is happening." Commercial Union also maintained its payout on 25-

year endowments at 13.6 per cent but cut returns from its 10-year and 15-year endowments. Mr Scott reassured home-

same as last year. He said in

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Meanwhile, homebuyers

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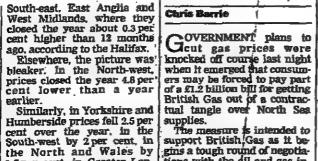
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were yesterday counting further losses from falling house prices with only Northern Ire-90 (350 land and Scotland bucking 1983 85 87 89 91 93 95 Prices stabilised in the



The measure is intended to support British Gas as it be-gins a tough round of negotia-1.7 per cent, in Greater Lontions with the dil and gas indon by 1.4 per cent and in the East Midlands by 1.3 per cent. But in Northern Ireland,

dustry on its costly "take or pay" contracts. Under the scheme, a levy could be imposed by the De-partment of Trade and Industry on gas companies supply-ing customers in competition ing customers in competition to British Gas The levy, to be passed on to consumers, would be written into the shippers' licences. The Gas Consumers Coun-cil warned tilat a levy would "invalidate" the promises of lower gas prices made by gas companies glamming to coan-peta againsi British Gas for donvestic customers as the do-

domestic customers as the domestic market is opened to competition The DTI said the levy was w EU states, from £300 mil-

only "an idea". A decision would be made in the next week on whether to make prowould be hade in the next week on whether to make pro-vision for the levy in the licences. British Gas welcomed the

d: "There could be some concept of a levy as "a useful pport for the Euro-sceptics adjunct" to its negotiations with oil and gas companies fre, with an island of depreson in Europe." over the contracts which com-Sales by British firms to mit the group to taking high priced gas it no longer needs. ermany and the Benelux puntries fell sharply. reflect-

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ALMG exports to the Cohent helped push theK's trade deficit to its wo level for almost three yrs, according to offi-cial gures released in 1996, a forecast based on an optimistic outlook for ex-

Contient, Richard Thomas reports

ports. But Eddie George, Gov-ernor of the Bank of England, said in a television interview yesterday that domestic de-

Trading down Whole world, import/export gap.

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Analyts surprised at wider gap with | mand would offset weaker overseas orders. "We expect to see consumer Keith Harper in Calais UROTUNNEL'S belea-guered co-chairman, Sir Alistair Morton, yesterday blamed both the French and spending increase somewhat." he said. "But there are worries about the extent of

the slowdown that appears to be taking place in continental

shipped out goods worth 212.7 billion in October. against imports of £14.4 billion. Countries outside the EU accounted for \$5.3 billion of the exports and £6.4 billion of imports - resulting in a £1.2 billion gap, sharply up on September's £0.7 billion.

Recently-published figures that only 3 million used it last for non-EU trade for Novemyear, 5 million would use it ber show the deficit improving to \$500 million, which of the century the figure suggests the global picture would have grown to barely will also improve. But the CSO admitted that the trend was for further widening.

Trends in both volumes and prices drove up October's trade gap. Exports volume fell | TOURIST RATES - BANK SELLS by 5.5 per cent in Octo while imports dipped by 2 cent. Meanwhile, price on goods entering the UK jumped by 1.5 per cent co pared to unchanged exp

'You owe us something' We are pursuing this matter with both governments. The forecasts were hopelessly behind.'

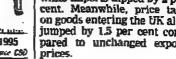
Sir Alistair blamed the privatisation of British Rail, "which has brought grief in its train", and the breaking of its contracts for a large part of Burotunnel's problems. He also blamed the management of European Passenger Services (EPS), which runs the Euro-16% million passengers had star service, for poor market-

ing and inflexibility in fares. Sir Alistair's attack on Eurbeen expected in the tunnel's first year of operation by the Eurostar service between ostar was seen last night as a method of deflecting attention London, Paris and Brussels. from Eurotunnel's continuing But Eurostar later confirmed financial problems. The company has stopped paying £2 this year and that by the turn million a day in debt repayment to the banks and is to discuss the matter at a board meeting next month. Sir Alistair said Eurotun-

10 million. "We are saying on behalf of the shareholders to the gov- nel was "not about to go to the eroments and to Eurostar. | wall".

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British governments and the Europe, especially in Ger-many and France." The CSO said British firms railways for failing to deliver promises on passenger num-bers forecast to use the Channel Tunnel. Sir Alistair highlighted official forecasts disclosing that

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Accountants urge the Government to get tigh with the fraudsters



ACCOUNTANTS yesterday | counter a crime which is es called on the Government to establish an independent fraud advisory panel and to make it easier to prosecute | tered Accountants, whose fraudsters in an attempt to delegates met in London

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and corporate restructur-ing which has tended to remove layers of managerial control.

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Sainsbury top job split but changes too slow for critics

Roger Count

AINSBURY yesterday bowed to savage criti-cism of its dismal 1995 by splitting the roles of chairman and chief executive, both held by David Sainsbury.

Mr Sainsbury will become executive chairman, with two chief executives responsible for the group's day-to-day operations, in response to pro onged institutional pressure. But the shuffling of respon-sibilities falls far short of

what City critics had hoped for and leaves a two-year han-dover period before Dino Adriano, named yesterday as chief executive designate of the Sainsbury supermarke chain, assumes full control. Analyst Tony MacNeary

said: "For a business which is conservative and plodding, t's a slow step in the right direction. The disappoint-ment is probably that the deputy chairman of the group, Tom Vyner, appears to be staying on another year." Mr Vyner has been one of two joint managing directors,

responsible for trading, mar-keting and operations across the group, which includes the Homebase and Texas do-it-yourself business in the UK and US supermarket operations, as well as the main UK umermarket chain.



Adriano ... Chief-in-waiting

Under the reorganisation, which takes effect from the beginning of April, responsi-bilities of the April, responsibilities at the top will be dito vided according businesses. Mr Vyner will become chief executive of the UK supermarket business, in-

cluding the Savacentre hyper-market operation. Mr Adriano will become deputy chief executive, taking over when Mr Vyner retires at the end of next year. Mr Sainsbury said yesterday that the group was now too diverse for him to retain the

sole role at the top, but the supermarket business was still so dominant that it needed a dedicated chief executive.

He insisted that the reorga nisation had been contemplated for some time, and had not been prompted by City criticism. He added that further changes would eventu-ally be made to the board and to the group's management structure, which has been criticised as too top-heavy and bureaucratic.

David Quarmby, also joint managing director, will still oversee business development and management services. But he is regarded as a more cerebral and strategic manager, so Sainsbury has commenced what is likely to be a six-month search for the second joint chief executive, who will be responsible for the UK DIY business and the US operations and who will have a trading background.

An outsider may be recruited but the chairman said yesterday that an existing executive would be preferred.

Mr Adriano said he would not want to leave his position as Homebase chairman before the bulk of the work integrating Texas into Homebase is completed later this year.

Faced with the daunting task of turning round Sainsbury's recent poor sales performance, he added: "It's a very big challenge, but I love the business. I love retailing and I think I'm quite good at it, and I have a passion for

News in brief

Kingfisher sortie into France again

RETAILING group Kingfisher, which includes Woolworths and Comet. is buying a 20 per cent stake in French furniture and electrical retailer BUT for 559.3 million in cash. King-fisher's French electrical chain Darty is the purchaser. BUT is France's fourth largest electrical chain with a 5.1 per cent market share.

Kinglisher said that BUT and Darty were focused on different parts of the market. The BUT shares will be bought from the family of the company's founder, Andre Venturini. The family will hold 44.3 per cent of the voting rights after the sale, with Darty holding 14.7 per cent. — Pauline Springert

53pc rise for Compass chief

FRANCIS MACKAY, chief executive of Compass, the UK's largest contract caterer, received a 53 per cent rise in his remuneration package for 1995. The package consisted of £559,000 in salary, benefits and bonus payments, compared to £391,000 for 1994. For 1995 Mr Mackay received a £325,000 salary, benefits of £37,000, a cash bonus of £49,000 plus company shares worth £148,000.

A Compass spokesman said the two-pronged bonus scheme was awarded only if the company met stringent performance targets, while the share allocation relied on the company meeting these targets for two more years. - Pauline Springett

Japanese Import 30pc bre vehicles

British luxury carmaker makes inroads In US A Rolls is top prescription **GM leads drive East**

Kevin Reflects in Tokyo

the leading importeras America's General Mrs. OREIGN carmakers but largely through itter man subsidiary Adam O have enjoyed a record year in Japan with sales It was followed by a fags name to Japan, Honda, wh rising almost 30 per cent to 388,162 vehicles, thanks to the sold 50,694 imported cara more than the 38,111 from "Big Three" US pla strong yen and increasing ac-

ceptance by consumers of for-More than a quarter of ign products. imports were cars made Japanese factories abroad. Imports rose to more than 10 per cent of the passenger car market and Japanese in-Audi and Mercedes ca

lustry is predicting further ncreases as the big US manufacturers produce cars tailored to Japanese roads. States with 143,232. Such is the international

said Harushige Saito of Opel. Their smaller size makes them easy to drive on Japanese roads.' US makers got off to a slow start in Japan, not bothering, for example, to sell right-hand drive models for a country

which - like Britain drives on the left. The big US carmakers aim next, making Germany 4 year. Next week, GM begins leading country with 156,7 selling the Cavalier, its first cars, followed by the Unitt right-hand drive car for States with 142 222 "In Japan, the image of Gettribut

Chris Barrie

UXURY car company Rolls-Royce put a fresh slant on doctors' pay yes-terday when it revealed that the medical profession was one of its fastest-growing sources of custom.

Not in this country. howver, but in the US, where the makers of the Silver Dawn and the Silver Spur enjoyed a 25 per cent surge in sales last year. Doctors, law yers and accountants are buy-ing the cars as much as RR's more traditional American going direct to the surgeon.

customers - celebrities and | Rolis-Royce admits that Brit elf-made businessmen. The company says the revival in the US economy is boosting the income of the professional classes, bringing the \$154,000 (199,000) Silver

Dawn within reach of many doctors who bought Mercedes or Jaguars in the past. They have the money. Sur-geons make "seven-figure sums", according to one Rolls Royce employee. Orthopaedic surgeons are doing well and plastic surgeons even better.

A heart bypass costs at least \$30,000 with "a fair whack"

ish medics are "not such a rich seam". NHS pay grades offer a senior house officer up to £22,000 and consultants up to £52,440 although, with "merit" awards, consultants can earn 70 per cent more. Rolls-Royce increased sales

around the world by 10 per cent last year and is using an aggreesive marketing cam paign to boost sales in key US regions such as Florida, California, and New York. It customises its cars on demand. And its leasing deals are aimed at anaesthetising the pain of the price tags.

Booming compiter sales put Dixons on a roll

bigger electrical goods which

have traditionally formed Dixons' staple sales.

nature of the carmarkhat cars is very positive,

to sell 400,000 cars in Japan by 2000, a fourfold rise on last Japan, which Toyota will dis-

Bumper Christmas trading

FURTHER evidence of bumper Christmas trading was provided yesterday when both Whitbread and Next reported that business was significantly up on last year. The Next clothing retailer said sales from its shops rose 13 per cent in the five months to December 30 although its selling space had increased by just 4.5 per cent. Sales from Next Directory, the company's catalogue shopping unit, rose 17 per cent.

Whitbread, the leisure and brewing group, said its sales and whith read, the leistre and brewing group, said its saids and profit during the Christmas trading period were ahead of last year. The company, which brews Boddingtons Bitter and Heine-ken in Britain, said beer sales volumes were "significantly ahead" of last year, bolstered by higher take-home sales. — Tony May

Pension geared to truckers

BRITAIN's lorry drivers will have access to a personal pension plan tailored for their needs. From today, members of the United Road Transport Union will be able to open a plan provided by Scottish Amicable which has the benefits of flexibility suited to

lorry drivers, who are often freelance or on short contracts. The terms of the pension were negotiated by the Minet insurance group, which is paid a 5.2 per cent annual commission on each plan. Monthly contributions start at £20 and there are no penalties if drivers stop their contributions. The plan carries an additional accident and illness benefit. -- Cliff Jones

EC fines German drugs firm

THE European Commission slapped a £2.4 million fine on Ger-many's Bayer for breached European competition laws. It said the chemical giant had restricted sales of its Adalat heart drug in an effort to protect higher prices charged for the product on the British market. Under EU rules, it is illegal to block exports from one EU market to another in such a way. Bayer vowed to appeal against the fine.

According to the Commission, the cost of Adalat varies widely in the EU, with prices "considerably" higher in the UK, where the and resell it at a profit in the UK. But they were unable to order the desired amounts. - Julie Wolf in Brussels

Film box office record

try. - Lisa Buckingham

CINEMA box office records were smashed last weekend with takings grossing more than £7.24 million — some £580,000 higher than the previous peak in July 1993 when takings soared thanks to the hype surrounding Jurassic Park. A strong list of films — including Seven: Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls; Babe, the latest Bond movie, Goldeneye; and Something To Talk About starring Julia Roberts — is regarded as the major factor behind the high sales levels.

UCI Cinemas, the country's largest multiplex chain which saw a 73 per cent rise in takings compared with last year, says audiences are increasingly finding cinemas a comfortable alter-native to sitting at home with a video. The company predicts that 1996 will break earnings records for the entire UK cinema indus-

Japan finds finance minister

JAPAN'S prime minister-in-waiting, Ryutaro Hashimoto, in a final effort to complete his prospective cabinet, yesterday reportedly found a taker for the finance portfolio, a once coveted post that is now a political hot seat. Wataru Kubo, the secretarygeneral of the Socialist Party of Tomiichi Murayama, the outgoing prime minister, has accepted an offer to become Japan's next finance minister, reports said.

Mr Kubo, aged 66, agreed to take the post after a desperate struggle by Mr Hashimoto to fill the spot. Traditionally sought after, the finance portfolio has lost its lustre amid public criticism of plans to use £4.2 billion of taxpayers' money to wind up financially-troubled mortgage firms, - Reuter in Tokyo

•	Slock market value C1.5bn > Main activity	Putlook Juline Springett	A further seven scores were opened in the six-month period, bringing the total to 21. More are in the pipeline. Finance director Robert	
	Sells electrical goods, Including washing machines.	HANKS to a mushroom-	Shrager said: "We sold an awful lot of personal comput- ers over Christmas, more	
	Workforce 10,500 games, cameras and domestic appliances,	ing in the sales of per- tonal computers. Dir; is on a roll. A 41 per	than we had originally bud- geted for." At least that indicates	
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·	C Pretasproff 441	the strical goods group can expergood 1996. Sittanley Kalms, the chairn, certainly thinks	personal computers has thrown the rest of the busi- ness into sharp relief.	
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The Link Other revenue

PC World Currys

The Underside

Dan Atkinson

stroll on a nearby path. Struck by how out of place **SOW** appropriate that the ING Baring Nov-ices Chase at Sandown Chez Davies, which is very much in the modern idiom, Park should have included looked amid the briars and among the favourites Simple Arithmetic and Mr cottages, he stopped off at the next tearoom and asked Pickpocket. Sadly, neither who lived there. "Ob, that belongs to Gavyn Davies," came the reply. "Governor of the Bank of England." leatured in the show-down. although Clever Remark did manage third place.

LD Lady News (1): That architect-designed millionaire's pad on the north Devon

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LD Lady News (2): There is talk that the Bank may appoint a searching out basdes on the shopping, withne important proviso -should the laser beam hilisposjournalist to replace Juli-ette Healey when she leaves the press office to join the able nappies, the an is **International Monetary** blocked. Expect asuspi-**Fund in Washington.** Officious fall in (a) fami shopping bills and (b) upercials are looking for journalists who are economi market profits. cally literate, able to keep a

UEENS Moat Bises, secret and prepared to work the hotels toup whose £1 bijon for £30,000 or less. Then again, there are always the property write down (the early 1990s pushed it the brink of collapse, has en

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A S THE Maxwell trial ground to its end, the Old Bailey satellite reborn as Britain's firs-nvironmentally conceved court in Chichester Rents major botel chain. Guts appeared to change location at the Drury Lane Mat during the hearing. Back in House find a little grn June. it had seemed safely card in their bathroom is aspersions cast upon the "You're going to hit air pock-gathered into the City of titled, sombrely: Our En. clarity of his English are ets, but you can't give up on estminster, home of the ronment. The script as, unreservedly withdrawn,

"can you imagine how many tons of towels are unnecessarily washed every day in all the hotels all over the world, and the extraor dinary amount of washing powder noeded which hereby pollutes our water?" This little lecture concludes with a request

that guests consider reusing some of their towels, rather than routinely leave ing them out for the maid. The card signs off "We're Thinking Green". As long as it's not green mould on the towels, that's fine.

NE WERE, it seems, a little unfair in our item last week on the book Financial Services: Regulating Investment Business, by City solicitor Simon Morris. The book is advertised as clarifying financial services

rules and regs, and we couldn't resist a tease with regard to one extraordinarily impenetrable passage of bureaucrat-speak. Author Morris was somewhat hurt by this: anderstandably so, given that the quotation originated not with him but with that notorious jawbreaker, the Flnancial Services Act. Any

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"Margins on personal com- | ing so far. Sir Stanley has A further seven stores were puter products are generally around two-thirds of the level opened in the six-month been aided by a slight easing period, bringing the total to 21. More are in the pipeline. of competition in the high street, thanks to the closure of other electrical items at around 20 per cent," said Mr last year of long-time rival Rumbelows and the with-Finance director Robert Shrager said: "We sold an awful lot of personal comput-Shrager. "The shift away from houseers over Christmas, more

cent."

drawal from retailing of some hold electrical goods such as regional televisions, videos and washcompanies. Life is unlikely ever to be ing machines into computer-related products has meant

easy for Dixons. Its basic business is too volatile besome loss of margin, but the cause of changing fashions, move to out-of-town stores and improved sales mix have and too competitive. It is also kept overall group gross mar-gins steady at around 30 per a group which has had a ten-dency to produce unwelcome shocks. PC World is a current success, but sales of personal computers could dwindle.

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IXONS is in the throes Dof repositioning itself in the high street and Consumer confidence is another cause for concern, and out of town. The strategy is to Dixons management will doubtless be keeping a beady build up large out-of-town eye on customer spending. That should emerge more clearly once the new year period is over. Currys superstores while con-tinuing to focus Dixons on the high street. The Dixons stores are being

modernised, with 109 of them Yesterday the analysts apso far converted to the so-called 2000 format which empeared fairly relaxed. The profits and the interim diviphasises smaller electrical dend sprang no suprises. products which are easy to True, the shares fell 14%p, but that was mainly because of some profit-taking, although

The repackaging of the shops, which will continue this year, seems to be work-

Motorola tumbles as cell phones cost more to make

Mark Tran in New York

carry home.

SHARES in Motorola fell systerday after the semi-conductor and telecommunications giant announced a surprise 16 per cent drop in fourth-quarter earnings.

At one point, the world's largest maker of cellular phones traded as low as \$44% after its Tuesday close of \$53's. By lunch, the most ac-tively traded share on Wall Street was down \$4% at \$49%. Several US analysts downgraded Motorola, a barometer of technology stocks. But Leh-man Brothers reiterated a "strong buy" recommenda-tion for the Illinois company.

Other cellular companies, including Ericsson of Sweden and Nokia of Finland were dragged down. But technology stocks. which took a battering on Tuesday as the Dow fell more than 67 points, bounced back. Companies like IBM and Dell all recov-

ered ground. "Tuesday's sell-off in technology was a total over-reac-tion," said one analyst. tion," said one analyst. "You're going to hit air pockthis sector altogether."

Analysts attributed the vol-atility to over-ordering of components by personal computer makers in anticipation of strong sales at Christmas. When unneeded orders were

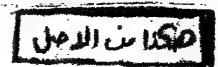
cancelled, the suphoria vaporated Motorola profits in the quarter fell to \$432 million from \$515 million a year ago. Revenue rose 13 per cent to \$7.3 billion from \$6.45 billion. Profit margins narrowed to 5.9 per cent from 8 per cent and the cost of making cellular phones rose to 64.9 per cent of sales for 1995, up from 61.9 per cent a year ago. Motorola blamed the costs of

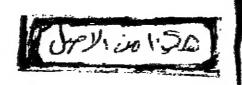
adding capacity to make semiconductors, "It's a disaster," said Albert Lin, an analyst at Cowen & Co. "I had no idea they were

making this little money on their products." Other analysts said Motorola was well-placed with the

growing use of semiconductors in all appliances Orders for cellular phones fell, reflecting what Motorola

called "a moderating growth rate" in subscribers. Fixed costs are expected to rise in 1996 amid continued pressure on margins.





Racing **One Man's** win marred by logo row

Golden Bear jacket on Satur-day and sympathise with George Ward, who puts a lot of money in.

"But owners have been under pressure from Customs

& Excise to ensure we comply with the guidelines by provid-

registration. This was an ob-vious chance to get our com-pany name to the fore and the

BHB must sort it out before the Gold Cup."

Up-and-coming apprentice and conditional jockeys face a

return to the classroom for a mandatory "finishing school"

course under a new scheme unveiled by the Jockey Club.

The requires apprentices to attend an intermediate course

at the Newmarket branch of

while conditionals will be called for classes after riding 15 career winners. The new

course will cover many other

important aspects of a jock-ey's working life, as well as

the practical riding side. Punters who staked bets on

Loch Style, the horse they thought was Taniyar, at Southwell on Monday have

lost their money. That is the ruling by Tattersalls Commit-

tee responsible for regulating

betting on horseracing in Britain, but Coral, Ladbrokes and Hill have all decided ex

• Trainer Brian Pearce has

OHN HALES, the owner of One Man, yesterday called for clear guidelines over sponsorship and described as "stupid" the obscuring of his company's loss after One company's logo after One Man's King George victory last Saturday.

Ron Cox

The Midlands businessman returned from holiday to find his chaser at the centre of an-other row between sponsors of races and racehorse owners that threatens his en-titlement to VAT concessions. Clashes have occurred since the British Horseracing Board established the Sponsorship Framework for Racehorse Owners to help owners find backers and earn their 17.5 per cent VAT concections concessions.

Hales has met Customs & Excise demands by securing sponsorship of One Man, now jump racing's top rated chaser, through his toy company Golden Bear. But at the moment of the

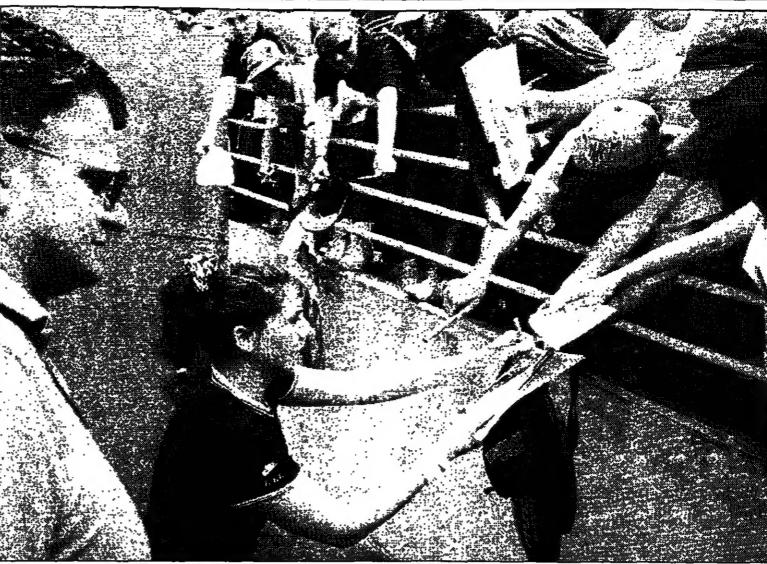
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grey's greatest victory at San-down the "Teddy Bear" image on Richard Dunwoody's silks was covered by a "winner" sash provided by Tripleprint, the big-race sponsors. "The situation needs to be clarified. I would have under-stood if the sash bore the

gratia to refund stakes in-vested on the "wrong horse." name Tripleprint. But it seemed a bit stupid to put a "winner" sash round him been fined £750 by the Jockey Club after failing to check the simply to cover up my compa-ny's logo," said Hales. George Ward, chairman of

identity of Hong Kong Dollar and Ela-Ment from the mark-ings in their passports when Tripleprint and one of the sport's leading sponsors, has warned he will reconsider his they came into his care. This resulted in Ela-Ment running support unless matters are at Lingfield on September 28 satisfactorily resolved. and at Wolverhampton on Oc-

Hales added: "I accept that One Man's lass had to wear a Tripleprint jacket over her Hong Kong Dollar.



SPORTS NEWS 13

Tennis Seles draws Sydney crowd

Sand business was brisk yesterday as Monica Seles played her first match in Australia for three years. A centre court crowd of 7,000 at White City in Sydney saw her beat Dominique Monami of Bel-gium 6-1, 6-2 in the second round of the Peters Inter-national tournament.

The women's joint world No. 1, three times Australian champion. showed gimpses of her clinical best, but the most remarkable feature of the 55-minute match was that she was footfaulted twice, in the opening game and in the second game of the second set.

"I've never been foot-faulted before in my life," said the 22-year-old Yugo-slav-born American. "Tve got to see what I'm doing with my foot when I serve." Seles, stabled by an deranged supporter of Steffi Graf in April 1993, did not play again until last August. Her quarter-final opponent will be South Af-rica's Mariaan de Swardt.

Game, set and minder . . . Seles signs autographs yesterday under the watchful gaze of her personal bodyguard

PHOTOGRAPH DAVID GRAY/RELITER

Rusedski powers on with victory in record time

REG RUSEDSKI set a round, was told later that tournament record yes- there was no record of a faster Control tournament record yes-terday by speeding to victory in under 29 minutes. modern era.

The British No. 1 whitewashed Carsten Arriens of Germany 6-0, 6-0 in the second round of the Peters International event in Sydney, serving 10 aces and dropping only six points each set.

Rusedski, who had beaten the second-seeded Richard of Australia's Davis Cup Krajicek in the opening team.

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Tim Henman failed to reach | mined to play in next week's the guarter-finals. The Brit-ish national champion, who had knocked out Mark Philip-season. The world No. 1 arrived in Melbourne yesterday and immediately held a pracpoussis the previous day, was beaten 3-6, 6-3, 6-3 by the ex-perienced Mark Woodforde,

the first round and play my-self into shape." Agassi, meanwhile, was in

Pete Sampras, who pulled out of this week's Colonial Classic warm-up event at Kooyong with flu, is deter-mined to play in next week's Australian Open, the first Hopefully I will get through arean different and play in the first Hopefully I will get through Australian Open, the first Hopefully I will get through Australian Open, the first Hopefully I will get through Australian Open, the first Hopefully I will get through Australian Open, the first Hopefully I will get through Australian Open, the first Hopefully I will get through Australian Open, the first Hopefully I will get through Hopefully I will get through Australian Open, the first Hopefully I will get through Australian Open, the first Hopefully I will get through Australian Open, the first Hopefully I will get through Hopefully I will get through Hopefully I will get through Australian Open, the first Hopefully I will get through Hopefully I will get I will get through

problem with my injury, said Agassi, referring to the strained chest muscle that

and immediately held a prac-and immediately held a prac-tice session on the centre court at Flinders Park. "Trn going to feel a little bit vulnerable because I have not Rafter of Australia. The 25-bis Australian Open cam-ing Stefan Edberg 6-2, 6-7, forced him to miss the United ing Stefan Edberg 6-2, 6-7, ing Stefan Edberg 6-2, 6-7, ing Stefan Edberg 6-2, 6-7, states' Davis Cup final win Jim Courier geared up for international circuit.

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Krajicek — a late entry at Kooyong after his defeat by Rusedski in Sydney — in straight sets. Michael Chang beat a fad-

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14 SPORTS NEWS

The Venables Saga

Candidates for the national firing line

tants to replace Venables

have one advantage in deal-

Martin Thorpe on the bookies' favourites | reimbursed. This time two managers could be found in for the position of England coach

HE problem with favourite Kevin Keegan has finding a new Eng- made it known that he would be reluctant to go land manager is not so much who will get through the mangler. But if the main contes-

the job as who will want it. There are better ways of waning up in the morning than opening your news-paper to find yourself de-scribed in bold capitals across the back page as a plonker or a turnip. If that were not bad enough, add the weight of a nation's expectation for constant results, plus the

nation's expectation for Ray Wilkins 39. Only How-constant results, plus the ard Wilkinson could be defrustration of rarely being able to pick your first-choice side, and it is lem with them all, how There is one major prob-lem with them all, how-ever. When Venables was appointed he had the addifficult to believe that any right-thinking man vantage of being out of would regard the England position as a career work, so there was no current employer to be pla-cated, cajoled or financially

Certainly the bookies'

COCA-COLA CUP QUARTER-FINALS

Arsenal 2. Newcastle United 0

Benches in uproar as Ginola walks

Russell Thomas

EVIN KEEGAN may the people's be Arsenal inflicted a dent in the Newcastle manager's reputa-tion with victory through lan Wright's fierce shot just before half-time and another a minute from the end at Highbury last night.

Keegan was not the only one whose standing fell on a rumbustious night as David Ginola was sent off in the 67th minute after seeming to elbow Lee Dixon in the face. The Frenchman's dismissal was followed by a brief altercation between the rival benches in which David Platt had to restrain Arsenal's manager Bruce Rioch, who got involved with Newcastle's assistant manager Terry McDermott.

Bruce Rioch had billed this an "enormous game", ear-nestly hoping it would trigger mines for ar

after injury of Bergkamp, Platt and Bould, a triunvirate tust outside Arsenal's area. Ginola's despair was soon shared by all his colleagues, entral to their club's aspiraespecially Srnicek. A pass tions this season. Home hopes were further fuelled in a high-octane open-

from Jensen appeared to pose only routine danger when it found Wright on the right side of Newcastle's area. But ing 10 minutes in which Arsenal launched three asthe sheer speed of the striksaults, the first after only 16 er's cross-shot appeared to deseconds. But Wright, like ceive the Czech goalkeeper, who saw the ball flash inside Newcastle's defence, was sur-Newcastle's detence, was sur-prised at the speed of the op-portunity. Helder, released by Keown down the left, swept past a hesitant Peacock and crossed invitingly for Wright. his right-hand post via his

is only 1,000-1.

outstretched arm. Having produced no menacing efforts in the first half, in space and with time to con-Newcastle mustered three in four minutes early in the sider his options. But the striker headed well over. second period. Ferdinand half-volleyed Lee's cross over from 12 yards before Beards-Newcastle were just as fortunate twice in the 10th min-

ley side footed Ginola's pass too close to Seaman. Arsenal almost self-destructed for Newcastle's third opportunity as Dixon's in-tended pass-back to Seaman fell well short and a grateful Ferdinand intercepted. The striker played the ball back to Strucek. The jeers for Ginola but the Frenchman's shot reached a crescendo in the Itel wigh and wide.

that position but both can be discounted. Jack Chariton, although a World Cup winner, is too

old and too negative in his footballing philosophy; and the FA would have to do a moral somersault to appoint the man they banned **Kevin Keegan** for a year. George Graham. With World Cup qualifi-THE leading candidate, sim-

ers beginning in Septem-ber, the new manager could ply because of his amazing achievements at Newcastle. Generally deemed a smashing ideally do with some time alongside Venables to learn the international ropes. In chap, PR dream and astute this respect Robson, a curmotivator, would fit the FA's profile of an ideal England rent England coach, is in a commanding position. If the FA could swallow its nationalistic pride Ken-ny Dalglish would be an ideal choice, though some of the other names in the manager. Capped by England 63 times, European Player of the Year twice, star of Bill Shankly's all-conquering

early-Seventies Liverpool. But is reluctant to put up with attendant hassle of being England manager, and his chairman Sir John Hall will betting are harder to swallow, Paul Gascoigne at 2,000-1? Even Frank Bruno fight to keep him.



Bryan Robson

IMPECCABLE credentials as former England captain. capped 90 times; learned managerial trade under Alex Ferguson at Mancheslevel. Puts winning ahead of entertaining, but his man-management skills are leg-endary and his preference for ter United and currently proving wrong those who tipped Middlesbrough for relegation from Premier playing to a rigid system would help cope with the reg-League. Has the advantage of being current England would help cope with the reg-nlar chopping and changing of England team personnel be-cause of injury. Works with-out a contract at Tottenham, so no problem there. But for a seamless transition. If he has one drawback it is his relative inexperience as a manager, though he took Boro to promotion. would the home-loving Franis want the hassle?

Ray Wilkins Gerry Francis SINGLED out as a leader at ANOTHER former England captain. Tottenham's third place in the Premiership has proved he can succeed at top

he is the ultimate "good bloke". Won 84 England bioke". Won 54 England caps and played for Man-chester United, AC Milan, Paris St Germain and Rangers. Succeeded Fran-cis as QPR manager and won releasing bottle last won relegation battle last season but Rangers cur-rently sit second from the bottom of Premiership. He had champions on international committee two years ago; some may remain.



Glenn Hoddle

ANOTHER England regular as a player, though not as often as many felt his sublime skills deserved. Led Swindon to promotion through the play-offs before forming an play-offs before forming an unlikely partnership with Ken Bates at Chelsea. He has finally got them playing the sort of passing football he has always espoused and which would sit comfortably on the international state. Has over international stage. Has over-seas experience, having played with Monaco. A bornagain Christian, he would not be short of help in his task.

the top level when he be-came Chelsea captain at 18.



The Guardian Thursday January 11 1996

Arsenal team floundering in | 41st minute when the French mid-term with only one win in their previous eight Ashby when he was adjudged matches. Arsenal's followers were lenge of Winterburn after an-

Jensen, Smin), Winterburn, Marson, Plah Keowa, Helder, Bergkamp, Wright, Newcastle United; Srnicek: Barton Peacock, Howay Albert, Berenlord Walson, Beardsley, Lee, Glaola Ferdined; man was booked by Gerald to have dived under the chal-

encouraged by the return other sinuous dribble ended

ute. First, Bergkamp conjured

an opportunity out of noth-

ing delivering a curving shot combining power and cun-ning that Smicek turned ac-

robatically aside. Then, from a Helder corner. Merson's header scrambled the ball

away from the line by

Aston Villa 1, Wolverhampton Wanderers 0

Villa stretched for record

Stephen Bierley

AVING taken two managers, Graham Taylor and his caretaker Bobby Downes, to get this far in the Coca-Cola Cup, Wolverhampton Wanderers finally departed under boss No. 3 Mark McGhee. Yet they must feel happier now than at any other time this season. Surely Wolves will now quickly climb up the First Division table.

Villa had to stretch every sinew and apply themselves totally in order to snatch a place in the semi-finals of this competition for a record ninth time with a 66th-minute goal by Tommy Johnson.

He had previously, along with other colleagues, squandered his fair share of open-ings, particularly in the first half, but there was no missing the plum which finally dan-gled before him, even though Stowell did his very best to smother the close-range shot. The excellent Yorke had

begun the move, Charleshad crossed, and Johnson duly scored, as indeed might Town-

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send; both were unmarked | middle and hit a shot which Wolves were never going to be overwhelmed. A lot has happened since the dark, dead days of the Taylor regime, and the players now bristle with purpose and self-belief, working within a sys-tem in which they obviously gusto. have total confidence. On occasion in the first half they certainly tested the Villa defence. It was Bull rampag-

ing down the right who caused the Premiership team most problems. Wright played the striker effectively enough but on one occasion Bull escaped two defenders, moved into the box and almost managed to squeeze a left-foot shot inside Bosnich's left-hand post. But the shot did not have quite enough power and the Villa goalkeeper saved comfortably in the end.

Volverhampton Wanderers: Stowoll, hompson (Law, 89) Young Atkins, Venus foley, 82), Richards, Rankine, Goodman, all, Ferguson, Pearce (Dennison, 70). Cornwall}. Marc Hottiger's proposed £700,000 transfer from New stronger team at the begin-ning of the second half, and with a shade more luck might discuss terms.

castle to Everton has been delayed. The 27-year-old Swiss international hoped to complete the deal yesterday but his agent has been unable to travel from Switzerland to

Though it always se likely the extra pace and class of the Villa forwards would lead to a breakthrough, it was Wolves who came out the

have taken the lead. Rankine burst through the

test, has been suspended on

vember and faces a lengthy

ban. Barry Hearn, chair-man of the Third Division

club, said yesterday: "Due to the seriousness of the

charge it would be entirely

inappropriate for him to

Orient's east London

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matter is resolved.

Whyte on loan.

Drug-test defender Stanislaus

is suspended by Leyton Orient

took a deflection and almost defeated Bosnich, who could Norwich (0) 1 Fieck 69 not hold on to the ball. That clearly lifted Wolves and they continued to attack with Second Division Jeffers 33 5.030 Villa suddenly found them selves forced backwards and ooking for the counter-attack Swindon (1) \$ Alirson 20. Thorne 61 76 when they could, which was BELL'S SCOTTISH LEAGUE not often. Twice Wright had to clear off the line, almost falling into the net on the Premier Divisio Hearts (2) 4 Fullon 17, Cal second occasion when he kicked away a shot by Richards. It was wonderful to see Johnston 50, 85 SCOTTISH LEAGUE Second Division Wolves taking the match to Villa and they deserved a goal for their spirit if nothing else. Queen of Sth (1) 3 St Doble 25 Mallan 72 Kennedy 81 Aston Villes Bostuch, Charles, Wright, Southgate, McGrath, Ehlogu, Yorka, Draper, Milosevia, Johnson (Taylor 81min), Townsend. HET (0) 0

Livingston (2) 3 Horvey 6, Duthie 14 McLeod 88

SPALDING CHALLENGE CUP round: Gateshead 4 Haldar 0 UNBOOND LEACUE: President's Capa First round: Alfreton 2, Boston Uld 2, HCTS LEACUE: Third Division: Harlow Th Signatin E. Smither 0

2 Wingato & Finchley 0 GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: Pression DM Molona Postponed: Frome Tn v Taunio TR. PONTING LEACUER Firsts Note Co 0, Sheff Wed 3, Okham 3, WBA 2, Blackburn 3, Birmingham C 0, Second: Blackpool 0, York 3, Hudderstreid 5, Mansield 1, Midd-

York 3, Huddersfreid 5, Mansield 1, Mud-lester 1, Burnley 2, Port Valo 1, Preston 1, Rothertam 1, Hull 0, Thinks Bury 3, Ches-ler 0, Chesterkeld 2, Skrewsbury 2, Dar-lington 4, Sounthorbo 2, Scarborough 3, Dongastor 1, Wigan 0, Carbiele 1 AVON INSURANCE COMBINATION: Firsts Bratol C 1, Wimbledon 2 C Palaco 2, Charlton 2, Secondi Cardiff 2, Bourne-moth 0: Corgany 1, Chellestham 1 Mouth C. Torquay 1. Chellenham 1 SPRINGHEATH PRINT CAPITAL LEACUE FrontSord 7. Cambridge Uid 1; Colchester Uid 1. Crient 0. WELSH CUP: Fourth-cound replay: Os-westry 10.3. Abstrystim In 2.

Render charged with mis-fender charged with m conduct by the Football from the South American WELSK CLEP Fourth-could repay co-weetby In 3. Aberystwyth In 2. LEAGUE OF WALESK Ebbw Vale 0. Cwm-bran 1: Porthmadog 2, Holynell 0 ANGLO-ITALIAN CUPS Semi-final: Fog-pia 0. Cosona 0 (set. Cesena won 2–1 on Association after a drug champions Gremio to Rangers. The Scottish

champions are likely to ionsi community: Panathinaikos 5, Anderlechi 0.

full pay by the club. The 27-year-old tested the float and **Rugby Union**

positive for cocaine in No- by selling Oleg Salenko. Peace has broken out in ESENTATIVES: Royal Navy 16 Ined London OB 24, RAF 34, Crv Wales between the national manager Bobby Gould and his striker Mark Hughes.

Compared Control of Solitation The Chelsea centre-forward has been named in the

squad for the friendly away **Rugby League**

FILIGUY CERTENSIC STORES CENTENARY CHARPYON-SHIP: Workington 24, Warrington 16, Leeds 28, Oldham 26 First Divisions Whitehaven 16 Widnes 14; Wahofield 24, Battey 14 Second Divisions Carlislo 48, Barrow B: York 35 Swinton 20: Doncaster 12, Hunslet 36, Bramley 4, Hull KR 40 continue playing until this | to Italy on January 24. WALES SOUAD: Southall (Every Orient's east London neighbours West Ham bave taken Russia's Igor Kornief on trial from Barcelona and have signed the experienced Birmingham defender Chris Whyte on loan.

Tennis

DAVIS CUP: Euro-African zone: Group three: treband 3, Cyprus 0 (Irish first): 5 BRITISH LEAGUE Div don v Blackburn 18 151.

Basketball PESA: Torono B1, Charlotto B2, Atlanta 104, Sacramento B2, Now York 99, Boston B2, Orlando B2, Now Jork 99, Boston 82, Sar Antonio 88; Dellas 84, Indiana 91; Mitwauken 92, Soattlo 97, Proenix 100, LA Cilippers 105, Goldon State 109, Vancouver 103 LA Lakers 108, Minnesola 104. Cricket

ONE-DAY MATCH (Sydney) West Indies 243-6 (50 overs, R Holder Bono, S Williams 57) Australia A 245-4 (40 overs; G Biewot 85, S Waugh 56) Australia A won

Match dra Ice Hockey

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Table Tennis EUROPEAN OLYMPIC QUALIFYING TOURNAMENT (Manchester) Stage ones Group eight Mem W Synd (GB) bi T Hodzic (Basnis) 22–20, 21–8, 21–10. Wanner: A Bros (GB) bi M Mubert (Bei) 21–15, 21–19, 30–22, 21–15

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Cricket SECOND ONE-DAY INTERNATIONAL (Bioemfontcin), SA v England (12,30)

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Ice Hockey

lan Ross T IS more by good luck than judgment that Leeds United this morning find themselves in the last four of

> the cup. But for the defensive shortleast a replay to boast of.

Gunn penalty save keeps Norwich hoping

Peter Layton

ORWICH and Birming-ham did the Endsleigh League proud in an epic taleof two-cities cup tie that came close to matching the classic

novel for excitement and emotion. Norwich were without a win for nine games and it showed in their lack of confidence and composure early on. Without their first-choice midfielders Crook, Johnson Hunt's penalty kick. and Goss through i looked to the oupool play-maker for inspiration. B eran Danish international | snap and his colleagues were sim-

some did well to parry. The threat from Birmingply overrun by Birmingham's ham was ever present, opening onslaught.

Envrois bi 4 Mortledakis 6-2 5-1: D Ca-sey bi A Papamichael 5-1: 5-Ca-Colline bi Mortledakis 6-2: 5-1: D Ca-Bulgaria 3. Nervya 0. Estonie 3: Zambie 0. Motdovia 2. Carneroon 1: Monaco 3. Cargo 0: Greece 3: Botswana 0: Treadagn Cameroon 2. Estonia 1: Monaco 3. Greece 1: Cyrous 2. Motdow 1: Zambia 3. Olibout 0: Bulgaria 3. Botswana 0: Togo 3. Corgo 0. ColLONIAL 0: LASSIC EXHIBITION TOURNAMENT (Methourney Meet First) in the wrong half of the First | when a simple chip would Division had little to fear as | have brought a goal. The mag-Leeds prodded patiently nitude of Morley's error beprobed came apparent when, in the tban rather Even so, the prospect of Reading actually scoring was 35th minute, Masinga stepped forward to side-foot in a

Speed peps up Leeds

McAllister free-kick. Having awoken from their so remote as to be unthinkable. The Leeds defence was awash with internationals slumbers, Leeds at last began to prosper and as the interval

eckoned took the lead when Speed rose splendidly to head in Kelly's fine cross.

Reading still sensed it could be their day and as their play grew more adventurous, Leeds fell back on an unconvincing rearguard action laced with the occasional breakaway.

PHOTOGRAPH: TOM JENKINS

Reading still found chances difficult to come by, however, but Jones almost restored the status quo midway through a disappointing second half when his firm drive from just outside the penalty area was turned on to the foot of the

Loeds United: Beeney: Kelly, Palmer, Wothersil, Dorigo, Wallace (Couzens, 80min). McAllister, Ford, Speed, Brolin, Masinga (Harto, 75).

Reading: Nixon; Brown, Thorpe (Gilke: 59). Jones, Gooding, Parkinson (Lamber 59). Jones, Gooding. 75j. Williams. Holsgr

Har A Witkin (Cite

post and Hunt tested Bryan back pass which Claridge Gunn with a fierce fifth-minintercepted to drive an angled shot past Gunn. The ball rebounded from the far post, but Francis forced it home.

> Within four minutes Norwich drew level when their Scottish striker Robert Fleck's shot from inside the box seemed to take an unexpected bounce on its way into

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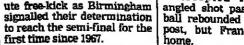
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Star in stripes . . . Newcastle's Steve Watson finds a few inches on Arsenal's Nigel Winterburn at Highbury last night et G Ashby (Worcaster). Results

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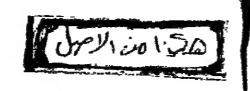
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John Duncan on the favourites and long-shots for the 2004 Summer Games, a handicap race with a final call-over of 11 runners

Why all roads lead to Rome

HE door closed on bids for the 2004 Olympic Games yes-terday, with 11 cities fighting for the right to be the centre of the world for one glorious month eight years from now.

The Olympic bidding process remains one of the longest — and some say most crooked — roads in interna-tional sport, but the allega-tions about bribery of Inter-national Olympic Committee members, all vigorously denied, have now streamlined the proces

The early favourite is Rome partly because it should now be Europe's turn. Rome has the facilities, communications and experience of the sprawling financial and administra-tive nightmare that hosting the Games entails

That becomes more impor-tant because the first hurdle for any bidder is the newly formed Evaluation Commission headed by Thomas Bach, a German IOC member. A former fencer and now powerful lawyer, he is described by one IOC insider as "a bright young boy, very thorough, who knows what needs to be done'

His commission reports in February next year and by then will have whittled the 11 cities down to five. The commission wants to see good city infrastructure and highlevel backing, both political and financial, for the bid, and will need to be convinced that the chosen city can deliver what it promises.

The whittling-down task is designed to avoid no-hopers complicating the voting pro-cess and winning through sentiment or other mysterious forces in September next year, when the IOC's 106 delegates will meet in Lausanne to vote on who will be the 2004 host.

The commission's brief is also to give the IOC members a realistic choice, which inevitably involves half an eye on the politics that accompany the process. In that spirit it is unlikely to exclude entirely an African candidate (Cape Town) or a South American one (Rio de Janeiro or Buenos Aires) without good reason. The IOC is dominated by the day. Sydney is the most African vote comes into play.



Athletics

the Italians; Logan, said Telfer, had "faded a bit recently

Scalled the Bath No.8 Eric Peters for next Scott Hastings, at 31 the most capped centre in Scot-tish rugby, will make his 58th appearance after his career at international level seemed to have ended with his omission week's Five Nations opener gainst Ireland in Dublin. Peters, who was left out for the drawn Test against Westagainst Western Samoa.

If Hastings maintains form and fitness over the next two tors have made in the wake of the Scots' 29-17 defeat by Italy months he may well equal his brother Gavin's Scottish record of 61 caps by the end of the Five Nations. "Scott is the Michael Dods replaces Kenbest outside defensive centre in Scotland," said Telfer

ny Logan on the wing, Doddie Weir is restored to the second Gregor Townsend, who has row in place of Scott Murray 13 caps won over three years. and the openside flanker lan is preferred at fly-half to Smith comes in for the in-jured Stuart Reid, with the Craig Chalmers, who will be on the bench.

captain Rob Wainwright reverting to the blindside. • Argentina's front-row for-ward Federico Mendez has Peters, who made an imsigned a contract for the 1996 pressive impact in last sea-son's championship, wins his 10th cap in 12 months, despite being forced to languish in season with the Currie Cup champions Natal. Mendez, 23, was sent off in his debut in-ternational at Twickenham five years ago for punching England's Paul Ackford. Bath's second team for most

Jim Telfer, Scotland's direc- John Dawes's 1971 Lions are to reassemble in Cardiff on May 8 to mark the 25th anniversary of their 2-1 Test-series victory in New Zealand ered because they had played and will also attend the Midinsufficient club games this diesex Sevens.

(diesex Sevens, Scottakilor a Shophard (Meirose); C Joyner (Meirose), S Hestinger (Walsonians), Lardine (Stirling County), W Dode (Northampton); G Townsand (Morinampton), G Redpath (Meirose), D Wright (Boroughnur); S Cawaphall (Dundes HSPP), J Weir (Meirose), R Walswright (West Harlspock, Capt), A Peters (Bain), I Smith (Gloucester). Replesements & Loges (Shifing Co), C Chaimers (Meirose), D Pattorson (West Haritspool), S Burray (Edinburgh Academicals), P Burnay (London Scotion), J Hay (Hawick). He admitted it was difficult to predict how long Reid would be sidelined by his damaged Achilles tendon. It was Reid who displaced Peters for the Samoa match. Dods has been chosen as coalkicker after the full-back Rowan Shepherd missed even kicks out of 10 against



Weir . . . second-row recall

Threat to world track event

William Fotheringham

Cycling

WO months' feuding over who should orga-nise the world track championships at the Manas a consultant for Rushton's

chester Velodrome from August 28 to September 1 have prompted the Union **Cycliste Internationale to** threaten to stage the event in another country. Yesterday Chris Boardman,

showed that on November 1 the 1994 world track cham-pion, said he was astounded by the situation. "It seems to me there have been a lot of ring its debts of £215,000 to a noses cut off to spite certain faces. While they squabble we

"There is only one organi-sation capable of bringing events like that here. Sport for Television did the [1994] Tour de France and did it weil. They should be given every assistance. It's investment for the future: personal feelings should be set aside." "The world championships are the property of the UCL," said its President Hein Ver-

bruggen, adding that the road titles in Switzerland from Oc-tober 9-13 had already been tober 9-13 had already been taken away from an organiser with whom the UCI was not satisfied. "It is now 7½ tion as "an unholy alliance". Prior to a further meeting Dovie made not seeing much progress and we are very worried."

Sport for Television Group Ltd, headed by Alan Rushton, put in the original bid for the but in the original bid for the championships, but its con-tract was annulled by the British Cycling Federation and awarded to the BCF's pro-ing. I would like a profes-

That came a few weeks after the BCF president Ian Em-merson, a director of BCF (P) Ltd, was deposed by the double world track champion Tony Doyle, who has worked

company. During the meeting in December, when the presidency was voted upon, Emmerson released details of a Companies House report which

new company, Superdrome Ltd. On the same day he set up Sport for Television Group Ltd, with Sport for Television Ltd as the main shareholder. The New Year statement

from the BCF said the decision to award the championships to BCF (P) Ltd followed "a failure to agree terms with Sport for Television Group Ltd What it did not explain was that the final decision was taken by a margin of one vote at a BCF board meeting between Christmas and New Year, where three of the eight board members voting were also members of BCF (P) Ltd. players,

this weekend. Doyle made clear his support for Rushton, against the decision of his own board of directors. "As-surances asked for have been motional arm. BCF (Promo- sional company to promote tions) Ltd, early this month. the championships."

Holmes, a year older than Sugner, continued his comeback with a fourth-round

Wigan up for union sevens

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very prestigious event. But at this stage we are waiting for more information." IGAN are likely to ac-cept an invitation to Wigan are already establishing links with their union neighbours Orrell, although a union's Middlesex Sevens at decision to host the Orrell-Leicester game at Central Twickenham in May, although it could mean switch-Park in March has attracted ing their Super League match criticism because it clashes at Halifax the same weekend. Jack Robinson, Wigan's with the launch of the Super chairman, will hold talks League. with Maurice Lindsay, the League's chief executive, before his club's board accept or

decline the invitation. "We are tempted." admitted Robinson, "because it is a games between the clubs.

The World Cup leader, Nor-way's Lasse Kjus, crashed during a practice run on Kitz-bühel's notorious Streif piste yesterday, suffering facial cuts and severe concussion but no broken bones. Austria's Andreas Schifferer, an-other faller, suffered mild concussion. Both are unlikely to take part in this weekend's Kitzbühel programme of two downhills, a slalom and a combined event.

Sport in brief

Skiing

Cricket

A rainstorm forced England Under-19 to settle for a draw in their match against Mashonaland Under-19 in Harare. After declaring and setting the Zimbabweans a target of 340 in 94 overs, England reduced them to 80 for four, the Glamorgan spinner Gareth Edwards claiming two for 20, before the rains came and play was abandoned soon after lunch. Carlisle Best scored 155 as

West Indies made 295 for three and trounced Pakistan by 116 runs in Sharjah yester-day to make sure of their place against England in tomorrow's World Masters Series final. Malcolm Marshall and Collis King each took two wickets as Pakistan were dismissed for 179. Only West Indies remain unbeater in this £82,600 four-nation ournament for former Test Cricket

Boxing

Joe Bugner, now 45, will fight the American West Turner in a 10-round bout in Perth on February 2. Financial prob-lems drove the former British, European and Commonwealth heavyweight champion out of retirement late last year, when he outpointed Vince Cervi to win the Australian heavyweight title. The former world heavy-weight champion Larry

knockout of Curtis Shephard in Galveston, Texas. Squash

Peter Nicol, the Scot worldranked No.4 after winning the Mahindra International in Bombay, is favourite for the British National Championships starting at the Edgbaston Priory Club in Birmingham today, writes Richard Jago. Simon Parke has with-

drawn with appendicitis but Nicol's rivals include Mark Cairos, Del Harris and Mark Wigan, who won rugby league's inaugural World Sevens tournament in Sydney in 1992, are also involved in

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blamed their slump in fortunes there on "distrac-tions", namely the comings and goings of wives, girl-friends and children. "It has been very bitty.

This has always been a con-tentious issue and it hasn't just been close family here," he said. England's 10-day stay in

Cape Town represented the perfect opportunity for supporters' groups to visit and for friends and family to de-scend on their loved ones. They did so in droves, the circus enlarged to 64 and the team proceeded to lose the final Test (and with it the series) and two one-day matches, the second of them on Tuesday being the first of a seven-match particular. He's only con-

series with South Africa. "Now," said Illingworth, "we must get back our discipline and our focus. For the first three Tests people were very committed and

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chairman after the latest defeat. He said his side's lower middle order had "bottled it" after a slide from 155 for three to 205 all out, six runs short. Illingworth echoed Ather-

number of unacceptable mistakes. "We are profes-sionals and at home play one-day cricket twice a week. But we made mistakes that wouldn't be made in the county game. We have to put them right."

today's game, another day-night affair, in Bloemfon-tein. "Our tail is not getting many runs against their After the West Indians made 243 for five, rain at bowlers, Allan Donald in ceding two an over later on

and we know the South Africans are going to contipue using him during the latter part of our innings. "Our top-order batsmen

Stephen Bierley on a move in Monte Carlo peting in the Atlanta Olympics this summer remain in that may bring clearance in time for Atlanta

HE Diane Modahl drugs story appears poised to reach its denouement. A three-strong arbitration panel has been established by the International Amateur Ath-letic Federation and a date for The IAAF, however, de-the hearing in Morta Carlo the hearing in Monte Carlo, believed to be within the next nounced that decision as "odd, unusual and surpris-ing" and insisted the case two months, is due to be an-nounced in a couple of weeks. ing" and insisted the case would go further. Modahl has "The joint response of been waiting ever since to Diane Modahl and the British Athletic Federation has been know where she stood, though in November the received and I am trying to IAAF indicated that the maturge everybody to get matters settled quickly," said Istvan ter would go to arbitration. Now she knows the panel Gyulai, general secretary of the IAAF, yesterday. Modahl tested positive with a massively high reading of the male hormone testosterthat will determine her fate: Finland's Lauri Tarasti, Senegal's Assane Diouf and Singa-pore's Loh Lin Kok. Modahl, her husband and

have a couple to spare.

IAAF prepares to hear Modahl case

one after a minor competition coach Vicente and her lawyers had been told by the IAAF after she won her ap-peal that she could take part only in domestic competition. in Lisbon in June 1994. She knew nothing of it until, nine weeks later, she was dramati-cally pulled out of the Commonwealth Games in Victoria virtually as she was going to But yesterday Gyulai said that legally she could have the start line for a heat in de-fence of her 800 metres title. Initially, in December 1994,

the balance. Vicente said yesterday: "It vicente said yesterday: "It looked as if this would be delayed as long as possible so they would not have to admit before the Olympics that the system was flawed. Now things look different. "But it does not alter the

fact that their behaviour has been disgraceful. Diane has not been treated like a human being, with this hanging over her for so long."

Tony Ward, the BAF spokesman, said: "As far as we are concerned, Diane has we are concerned, Duane has been cleared and is able to run here. We have always suspected that, because the IAAF decided to take the case to arbitration, they could not reimpose the ban. That would not have been natural justice. "It is now all down to them.

We just hope we will see her back on the track soon." Modabl, 29, has claimed all along that her urine sample was not stored or analysed

properly and had become "de-graded". In October she gave birth to her first child, since when she has returned to run wherever she wanted to after that appeal. So Modahl's hopes of com-serious training.

Syed changes the chops as

he takes first step to Atlanta

back from 7-13 to 10-13 but it was his last effort and Syed **Richard Jago in Manchester**

chops won him the first game

when he lured Hodzic into a

forehand top-spinning mis-

take, and in the second Hodzic

was made to spray his attack

almost anywhere but the table.

In the third the Bosnian came

Table Tennis

won 22-20, 21-8, 21-10. England's other No. 2, An-ATTHEW SYED needed to save two game points drea Holt, recovered from 8-12 before he took his first stride to win 21-11, 21-13, 21-19 towards a place in Atlanta against Israel's Tatiana Stortowards a place in Atlanta blat, and the former English national champion Alison with a straight-games win in the Olympic qualifying com-petition here yesterday. Broe struggled to beat Mar-The England No. 1 slipped tine Hubert of Belgium 21-15,

to 18-20 against the leading Bosnian, the Paris based Taric Hodzic, and was lucky 21-19, 20-22, 21-15. that a forehand loop from

Cricket Hodzic took a net cord and jumped off the table. But after saving the second game point with a cleverly spun swerve England tour to SA he never looked back. Live Commentary "I was a little nervous and I didn't realise at first he was 0891 22 88 28 pushing short to my high chops, but when I started chopping closer and lower I was all right," said Syed. His defensive backhand

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Regiand had lost their focus in Cape Town; he The England captain Mike Atherton was more outspoken even than the work their pace men around." Illingworth also hinted that Robin Smith

might get a recall, possibly opening alongside Atherton - with Alec Stewart rested and Russell keeping wicket. • Greg Blewett moved back into World Cup contention ton's comments about the

for Australia with a pol-ished 85 in Australia A's vic-tory over the West Indians in a day-night match in Sydney yesterday. Blewett hit nine fours and shared a 120-run stand in 19 overs with his captain Steve

He hinted at changes for Waugh (56 off 57 balls).

192 for three off 35 overs al-tered the target to 242 off 49. The Australians made it for four wickets in 40.5 overs.

West Indies' captain Ri-chie Richardson aggravated a hamstring injury, pulling up when batting and retiring on 22 rather than use a runner.

Illingworth blames circus



Back in training ... Modahl risks a smile

don, rightly or wrongly, is the ther years at least. Barring

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ENGLAND SOCCER COACH BOWS TO THE PRESSURES OF IMPENDING LEGAL ACTIONS



Weight off his mind . . . Terry Venables leaves Lancaster Gate after making official his decision to stand down before qualifying begins for the next World Cup PhotoGRAPH: TOM JENKINS

Venables spares FA blushes

David Lacey examines why the England coach gave himself no option but to stand down after the European Championship

ERRY VENABLES will quit as England coach after the European Champi-

Last night he said he had decided to step down after the European Championship to save the FA embarrassment. '96," he added. "Obviously I would want to leave the job on a successful note and I will do everything in my power to make it succe

Courtroom experiences so far, Venables realised he could not go into the next World Cup serving two benches England team and High

When questioned yesterday about the choice of Graham Taylor's successor, Kelly said that anybody could apply hindsight, and he added:

It is clear that after his | the "progress which the Eng- | he has enhanced may feel the courtroom experiences so far, | land team and England's foot- | need to give him a decent need to give him a decent ball in general have made end-off. since his appointment

As to the next England coach, who knows? The book-Really? So far as Venables's England team are concerned makers dusted off the famit has to be hoped that the best is yet to come. As for iliar betting list once Venables's impending departure English football in general, was confirmed, with Kevin well, the recent performances in Europe have hardly offered Keegan at the top followed by Bryan Robson, who is part of the prospect of a new golden Venables's backroom team,

Out of a job and spoiling for the fight of alleged unpaid bills,

Martin Thorpe on the struggles ahead once the coach has served his notice

Graham Venables was not even on the shortlist. When Venables was mooted as Taylor's successor two years ago, the Football Association's chairman Sir Bert Millichip said: "Over my dead body.

On both occasions the English game's governing body was saying, in effect, that Venables was too much of a wide-boy businessman to risk in the job. Now those doubts have come back to haunt it. But, just as the need for a winning England side forced the FA to change its mind

over Venables, so his desire to clear his name has changed his mind over the importance of the one job he always wanted Venables is out to prove his innocence and, such

s his immense determina tion, anyone in the way had better watch out.

But those concerns had been

overtaken by a more pressing

need after Taylor: to create a

successful England team. For various political

easons the European govern-

ing body Uefa was on the FA's

back to improve the perfor

mances of a side that had just

failed to qualify for the World Cup. Venables was revered as

better watch out. Of course the FA knew what it was taking on when it hired Venables. His peers deemed him the best man for the job and the FA's doubts over his business life were reflected in his title of "coach" instead of the more 'coach" instead of the more ambassadorial "manager"

fighting spirit. The alternative would be to throw it in. It would be cheaper perhaps but I've got my life." Venables's

ciate Eddie Ashby has com-piled a massive dossier of papers relating to Venables's business dealings during the Tottenham era, a This Is Your Life of evidence which the Venables camp believe will vindicate them from all

allegations. But, most importantly to them, it will, they believe, prove a conspiracy against Venables. During a recent court case the coach for the first time publicly alleged that the conspiracy was linked to Tottenham.

The Recorder in the case disagreed and the Sugar camp have always denied that they are part of a conspiracy against Venables or that they have been leaking damaging documents to various sec-

his most substantial foe: Alan Sugar. When Sugar dismissed Ven

company director. Now he has given himself the time and space to prove his innocence and to take on

stop allegations in the media, disappearing dance floors, bung inquiries and now DTI

proceedings to bar him as a

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ables as chief executive of Tottenham he may have felt that, like many people, the then darling of White Hart Lane would go quietly. without a whimper. He did not

know Terry Venables. Venables is not only proud but obstinate. He feels he has been wronged in a big way and is out to prove it. could say, 'Right, I'm not going to fight any more." says Venables. "but people would say. 'Oh. he's guilty.' I've been brought up to fight my corner when I think things are going wrong. I have a

to live with myself the rest of

